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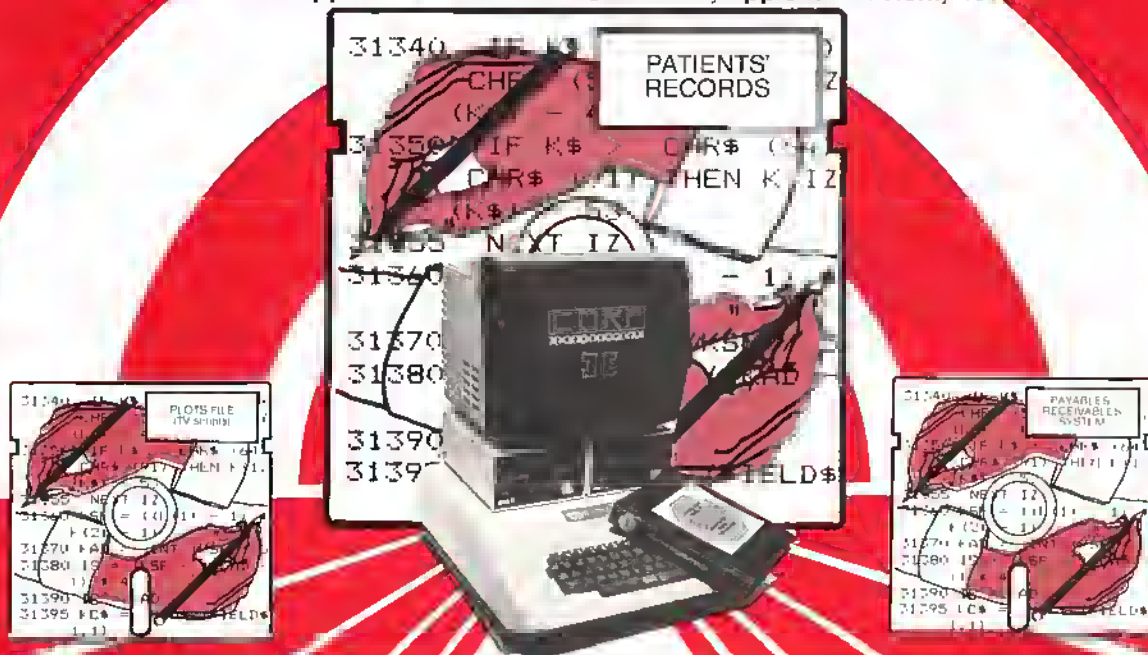
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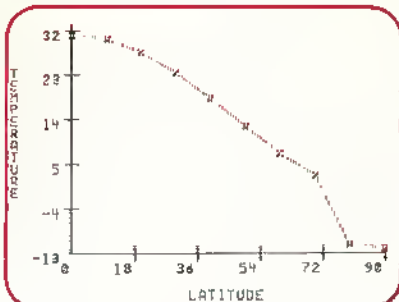
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## Editorial

### Hello, OSI?

What is OSI doing with its line of personal computers? A simple question, but even OSI can't seem to answer it — yet.

For months now we've been receiving letters from frustrated OSI users who wonder why we don't cover OSI machines more thoroughly (more than 30% of our readers are OSI users). These same readers also ask why OSI isn't advertising, and why OSI support in general seems to be fading. We decided to see how much of the fog could be cleared away.

Contacting OSI was naturally the first step, but not necessarily the easiest or most informative. One OSI source admitted that the company is beginning to stress the business line rather than the home market. According to this source, OSI is considering the elimination of the CIP and Super-board product lines. However, other officials insisted that no firm decision had been made yet.

Another view held by knowledgeable sources inside and outside OSI is that the company will sell off their low-end computer line rather than terminate it completely. OSI, according to these sources, would not want to leave owners of these products in the lurch. To sum up the problem, an OSI marketing official admitted that, for now, the situation regarding their line of personal computers is "up in the air."

Several factors can help account for this confusion. Much of OSI's staff has been busy lately, not only with deciding the fate of the personal computer line, but with moving operations from Ohio to Massachusetts. OSI was purchased in December 1980 by a Massachusetts-based firm, M/A COM, and the transition is still in progress. Also, preparations for an upcoming distributor's meeting in Florida are tying up key OSI officials.

The distributor's meeting (which will have occurred by the time this issue is published) will include a presentation of new systems. OSI's recent lack of advertising can be explained partially by their need to wait until after the meeting to announce new products to the general public.

Several OSI dealers offered a variety of insights into the OSI personal computer problem. Although one dealer was optimistic and believed that OSI was "getting its act together," another considered the company "schizophrenic" and said that he thought OSI was "dumping the personal computer market." The general consensus among dealers is that OSI is developing a new line of computers aimed at the business instead of the hobbyist market.

One optimistic dealer said that the OSI personal computers will develop into a "nice market in spite of OSI." He believed this will be possible because other manufacturers will offer OSI-compatible hardware support.

Customer service has always been an issue for OSI users. According to one dealer, OSI has regarded customer service as a dealer obligation. But, since service is rarely a lucrative business, many dealers choose not to provide it. Therefore OSI users are neglected. In addition, some dealers are understandably reluctant to sell OSI personal computer products because of the uncertainty and confusion.

Although all the questions haven't been answered, and some of the answers we did receive are vague, we believe users will soon have a clearer picture of OSI's personal computer plans. We'll keep you informed as best we can.

*Margaret Mase*

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## New Publications

### Reference

**The Index, The ultimate information index for all personal computer users,** W.H. Wallace, Indexor. Missouri Indexing, Inc. (P.O. Box 301, St. Ann, MO 63074), 1981, iii, 489 pages, 5 1/4 x 8 1/4 inches, paperbound.

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Here you'll find more than 30,000 entries covering over six years of articles, editorials, and columns from 45 computer publications. There are fourteen system-specific sub-indexes. All articles are listed alphabetically, along with the author, magazine and issue in which it appeared.

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### General

**Introduction to Word Processing** by Hal Glatzer. Sybex Inc. (2344 Sixth St., Berkeley, CA 94710), 1981, xiv, 210 pages, 6 x 9 inches, paperbound.

ISBN: 0-89588-076-8 \$12.95

Learn what a word processor is, what it does, how to use one, and how to choose one. The author also provides a feature-by-feature comparative analysis of currently available equipment.

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6502

**Beyond Games: Systems Software for Your 6502 Personal Computer** by Ken Skier. BYTE/McGraw-Hill, Book Division (70 Main St., Peterborough, NH 03458), 1981, iv, 433 pages, 7 1/4 x 9 1/4 inches, paperbound.

ISBN: 0-07-057860-5 \$14.95

A guided tour of your Apple, Atari, Ohio Scientific, or PET computer. This book takes you through basic concepts, such as "memory" and "program," right into assembly language programming. Several subroutines and programming aids are presented, including screen utilities, print utilities, a

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### Games

**Apple Pascal Games** by Douglas Hert and Joseph T. Kalasb. Sybex Inc. (2344 Sixth St., Berkeley, CA 94710), 1981, xiii, 371 pages, 7 x 9 inches, paperbound.

ISBN: 0-89588-074-1 \$14.95

A collection of games written in Apple Pascal, ranging from simple exercises to more advanced, strategic challenges. For each game the book includes game rules, and a guide to understanding the program. A "structure chart" demonstrates the organization of each program.

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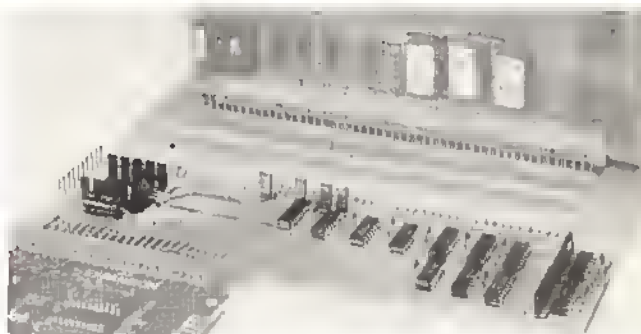


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# VisiCalc Formulas for Depreciation

These formulas are ready to key into your VisiCalc sheet. The author explains how the three different depreciation methods are used.

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VisiCalc, which is available in versions for Apple, Atari, PET/CBM, and TRS-80, is made by Personal Software. In this article I'll show one application of this fine program — that of depreciation schedules. I currently use this application for depreciating equipment for income tax purposes. (Before you use this program, please consult your tax advisor or IRS representative for the proper application of depreciation to your situation.)

If the formulas in listing I are keyed onto a blank VisiCalc sheet, the depreciation application will be up and running. (For further information, please refer to your VisiCalc reference book.) To explain how to use the depreciation application, I must discuss depreciation and the formulas as they are used.

## The Depreciation Formulas

*Webster's New International Dictionary* defines depreciation as a "decline in [the] value of an asset due to such causes as wear and tear, action of the elements, obsolescence and inadequacy." Business uses depreciation to

write off the cost of equipment and real estate. There are three kinds of depreciation in wide use today: straight line (SLD), declining balance (DB), and sum of the years digits (SYD).

In straight line depreciation, an equal amount is depreciated each year. In the declining balance method, a large amount is depreciated in the early life, then gradually tapers off toward the later life of an asset. It is generally used to write off the largest amount in the earliest time period. The sum of the years digits method is generally between these two.

There are three entities used in the calculation of depreciation:

1. the starting book value (SBV) — what the item cost;
2. the salvage value — what the item would sell for after its useful life;
3. the expected life of the item.

This depreciation application of VisiCalc provides the depreciation (DEP), the accumulated depreciation (ACD), the remaining depreciation left (RDV), and the remaining book value (RBV) for each of the three depreciation types. The formulas are given in terms of year  $j$ , the current year in the schedule we are looking at. The formulas for the three types are as follows:

1. Straight line depreciation

$$DEP(j) = \{SBV - \text{salvage}\} / \text{life}$$

$$ACD(j) = j * \{DEP(j)\}$$

$$RDV(j) = DEP(j) * \{\text{life} - j\}$$

$$RBV(j) = RDV(j) + \text{salvage}$$

2. Sum of years digits depreciation

$$\text{sum of years digits} = (\text{INT}(\text{life}) + 1) * (\text{INT}(\text{life}) + 2) / 2$$

$$DEP(j) = \{\text{life} + 1 - j\} * \{SBV - \text{salvage}\} / \{\text{sum of years digits}\}$$

$$RDV(j) = \{\text{life} - j + 1\} * \{\text{life} - j + 2\} * \{SBV - \text{salvage}\} / \{2 * \{\text{sum of years digits}\}\}$$

$$RBV(j) = RDV(j) + \text{salvage}$$

$$ACD(j) = \{SBV - \text{salvage}\} - RDV(j)$$

3. Declining balance depreciation

$$DEP(j) = \{SBV * \{DBF / \text{life}\}\} * \{1 - DBF / \text{life}\}^{(j-1)}$$

$$ACD(j) = SBV * \{1 - \{1 - DBF / \text{life}\}^j\}$$

$$RDV(j) = \{SBV - \text{salvage}\} - ACD(j)$$

$$RBV(j) = RDV(j) + \text{salvage}$$

where DBF is the declining balance rate factor ranging from 1 to 2.

Note that these formulas are for each year of the schedule. Thus, by adjusting the way the calculations are performed, we can project the schedule out for as many years as the sheet will carry. In the case of this depreciation application, I have chosen a 5-year schedule.

## Use of the Depreciation Application

Looking at the example, the starting book value is entered into position B3 (1330.00) on the sheet. Likewise, salvage value is entered into position B4 (20.00) and life of the item is entered into position B5 (5) of the sheet. The declining balance factor (from 1 to 2) can be entered into position E3 (1.50) of the sheet. I generally leave this position as 1.5 for comparison purposes.

# Listing 1

VISICALC Formulas for depreciation

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>F29: @MAX(F10,F16,F22)
>E29: @MAX(E10,E16,E22)
>D29: @MAX(D10,D16,D22)
>C29: @MAX(C10,C16,C22)
>B29: @MAX(B10,B16,B22)
>A29: "MAX DEP
>F28: @MIN(F10,F16,F22)
>E28: @MIN(E10,E16,E22)
>D28: @MIN(D10,D16,D22)
>C28: @MIN(C10,C16,C22)
>B28: @MIN(B10,B16,B22)
>A28: "MIN DEP
>G27: /--
>F27: /--
>E27: /--
>D27: /--
>C27: /--
>B27: /--
>A27: /--
>G26: (1-E4)*F22
>F26: (E4*F22)+((1-E4)*E22)
>E26: (E4*E22)+((1-E4)*D22)
>D26: (E4*D22)+((1-E4)*C22)
>C26: (E4*C22)+((1-E4)*B22)
>B26: +E4*B22
>F25: +F24+B4
>E25: +E24+B4
>D25: +D24+B4
>C25: +C24+B4
>B25: +B24+B4
>A25: "DB RBV
>F24: (B3-B4)-F23
>E24: (B3-B4)-E23
>D24: (B3-B4)-D23
>C24: (B3-B4)-C23
>B24: (B3-B4)-B23
>A24: "DB RDV
>F23: +B3*(1-(@EXP(F8*@LN(1-(E3/B5))))
>E23: +B3*(1-(@EXP(E8*@LN(1-(E3/B5))))
>D23: +B3*(1-(@EXP(D8*@LN(1-(E3/B5))))
>C23: +B3*(1-(@EXP(C8*@LN(1-(E3/B5))))
>B23: +B3*(1-(@EXP(B8*@LN(1-(E3/B5))))
>A23: "DB ACD
>F22: @EXP(@LN(B3)+((F8-1)*@LN(1-(E3/B5)))+@LN(E3/B5))
>E22: @EXP(@LN(B3)+((E8-1)*@LN(1-(E3/B5)))+@LN(E3/B5))
>D22: @EXP(@LN(B3)+((D8-1)*@LN(1-(E3/B5)))+@LN(E3/B5))
>C22: @EXP(@LN(B3)+((C8-1)*@LN(1-(E3/B5)))+@LN(E3/B5))
>B22: @EXP(@LN(B3)+((B8-1)*@LN(1-(E3/B5)))+@LN(E3/B5))
>A22: "DB DEP
>G21: /--
>F21: /--
>E21: /--
>D21: /--
>C21: /--
>B21: /--
>A21: /--
>G20: (1-E4)*F16
>F20: (E4*F16)+((1-E4)*E16)
>E20: (E4*E16)+((1-E4)*D16)
>D20: (E4*D16)+((1-E4)*C16)
>C20: (E4*C16)+((1-E4)*B16)
>B20: +E4*B16
>F19: (B3-B4)-F17
>E19: (B3-B4)-E17
>D19: (B3-B4)-D17
>C19: (B3-B4)-C17
>B19: (B3-B4)-B17
>A19: "SYD ACD
>F18: +F17+B4
>E18: +E17+B4
>D18: +D17+B4
>C18: +C17+B4
>B18: +B17+B4
>A18: "SYD RBV
>F17: (B5-F8+1)*(B5-F8)*(B3-B4)/(2*E5)
>E17: (B5-E8+1)*(B5-E8)*(B3-B4)/(2*E5)
>D17: (B5-D8+1)*(B5-D8)*(B3-B4)/(2*E5)
>C17: (B5-C8+1)*(B5-C8)*(B3-B4)/(2*E5)
>B17: (B5-B8+1)*(B5-B8)*(B3-B4)/(2*E5)
>A17: "SYD RDV
>F16: ((B5+1-F8)/E5)*(B3-B4)
>E16: ((B5+1-E8)/E5)*(B3-B4)
>D16: ((B5+1-D8)/E5)*(B3-B4)
>C16: ((B5+1-C8)/E5)*(B3-B4)
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# Listing 1 (Continued)

```
>B16: ((B5+1-B8)/E5)*(B3-B4)
>A16: "SYD DEP
>G15: /--
>F15: /--
>E15: /--
>D15: /--
>C15: /--
>B15: /--
>A15: /--
>G14: (1-E4)*F10
>F14: (E4*F10)+((1-E4)*E10)
>E14: (E4*E10)+((1-E4)*D10)
>D14: (E4*D10)+((1-E4)*C10)
>C14: (E4*C10)+((1-E4)*B10)
>B14: +E4*B10
>F13: +F12+B4
>E13: +E12+B4
>D13: +D12+B4
>C13: +C12+B4
>B13: +B12+B4
>A13: "SLD RBV
>F12: (B5-F8)*F10
>E12: (B5-E8)*E10
>D12: (B5-D8)*D10
>C12: (B5-C8)*C10
>B12: (B5-B8)*B10
>A12: "SLD RDV
>F11: +F10*F8
>E11: +E10*E8
>D11: +D10*D8
>C11: +C10*C8
>B11: +B10*B8
>A11: "SLD ACD
>F10: (B3-B4)/B5
>E10: (B3-B4)/B5
>D10: (B3-B4)/B5
>C10: (B3-B4)/B5
>B10: (B3-B4)/B5
>A10: "SLD DEP
>G9: /--
>F9: /--
>E9: /--
>D9: /--
>C9: /--
>B9: /--
>A9: /--
>G8: /F16
>F8: /F1+E8+1
>E8: /F1+D8+1
>D8: /F1+C8+1
>C8: /F1+B8+1
>B8: /F1+B6
>A8: "YEAR
>G7: /--
>F7: /--
>E7: /--
>D7: /--
>C7: /--
>B7: /--
>A7: /--
>B6: /F11
>A6: "START YR
>E5: /F1+B5*(B5+1)/2
>D5: "SOYD
>B5: /F15
>A5: "LIFE
>E4: 244/366
>D4: "PRCNT YR
>B4: 0
>A4: "SALVAGE
>E3: 1.5
>D3: "FACT
>B3: 617.75
>A3: "BOOK VAL
>A1: "ITEM:
/W1
/GOR
/GRA
/GFS
/GC9
```

**Example of 5-year depreciation schedule.**

**ITEM: APPLE II**

<b>Book Val</b>	<b>1330.00</b>					
<b>Salvage</b>	<b>20.00</b>					
<b>Life</b>	<b>5</b>					
<b>Start Yr</b>	<b>1</b>					
		<b>Fact</b>	<b>Prcnt Yr</b>	<b>SOYD</b>		
					<b>1.50</b>	<b>0.70</b>
						<b>15</b>
<b>Year</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
SLD DEP	262.00	262.00	262.00	262.00	262.00	
SLD ACD	262.00	524.00	786.00	1048.00	1310.00	
SLD RDV	1048.00	786.00	524.00	262.00	0.00	
SLD RBV	1068.00	806.00	544.00	282.00	20.00	
	182.54	262.00	262.00	262.00	262.00	79.46
SYD DEP	436.67	349.33	262.00	174.67	87.33	
SYD RDV	873.33	524.00	262.00	87.33	0.00	
SYD RBV	893.33	544.00	282.00	107.33	20.00	
SYD ACD	436.67	786.00	1048.00	1222.67	1310.00	
	304.23	375.82	288.49	201.15	113.82	26.49
DB DEP	399.00	279.30	195.51	136.86	95.80	
DB ACD	399.00	678.30	873.81	1010.67	1106.47	
DB RDV	911.00	631.70	436.19	299.33	203.53	
DB RBV	931.00	651.70	456.19	319.33	223.53	
	277.99	315.60	220.92	154.65	108.25	29.05
MIN DEP	262.00	262.00	195.51	136.86	87.33	
MAX DEP	436.67	349.33	262.00	262.00	262.00	

Next, by entering the starting year of the schedule in position B6 (1), we can get depreciation schedule for a period of five consecutive years. Since the IRS will allow the percentage of the depreciation for the balance of the year, I have made provision for the entry of the balance. The balance of the year as a decimal can be placed into position E4 (0.70). The fifth line for each of the types gives the depreciation that may be taken in that year (valid only with a starting year of 1).

Position E5 (15) of the sheet is for the calculation of the sum of the years digits. The minimum and maximum values for depreciation in each of the years is provided as the last two lines. As there is no way of zeroing years past the life, note that the RDV will become negative in this case.

### In Conclusion

This application of the VisiCalc program has been provided as a tool to help make difficult calculation easy. It will provide a quick glance at alternatives for use in business decisions and the big "if" question as well.

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# Numerical Solution of Differential Equations

**A brief discussion of the Runge-Kutta method of solving differential equations is accompanied by an Applesoft program that prints out and plots the points for the resulting curve.**

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Mathematical analysis of many physical phenomena, especially in engineering, requires solution of differential equations. Generally these equations are solved by a hodgepodge of techniques learned in an elementary differential equations course. Most higher-order equations require laborious techniques, and yet fail to yield solutions in the closed form. No simple formula is attained.

These complex equations are best solved by using numerical methods on a computer. This article includes an Applesoft program and short description of a fourth-order Runge-Kutta method for solving ordinary differential equations, given initial conditions (initial value problems). Although this program was written for the Apple computer, with minimal changes it is capable of running on another system.

## The Runge-Kutta Method

An exhaustive derivation on the Runge-Kutta method will be omitted from this article, but may be found in most differential equations texts. The general idea behind this method is fairly simple. Let's assume you're given the following differential equation:

Equation 1

$$dY/dX = Y' = f(X, Y)$$

In addition you're given the initial conditions:

$$Y = Y_n \text{ at } X = X_n$$

With this information one can easily compute the slope of the line tangent to the solution curve ( $Y = g(X)$ ) at  $(X_n, Y_n)$ . This will simply be equal to  $f(X_n, Y_n)$ .

Now let's assume  $X_n$  is incremented by some small value,  $X_i$ . We'll call this new value of  $X$ ,  $X_{n+1}$ .

$$X_{n+1} = X_n + X_i$$

The problem now is to approximate the corresponding  $Y$  value,  $Y_{n+1}$ . Intuitively it should seem reasonable that for a very small increment of  $X$  the following approximation is true:

Equation 2

$$Y_{n+1} \doteq Y_n + f(X_n, Y_n) \cdot X_i$$

*Editor's Note:*  $\doteq$  means approximately equal to.

This is known as Euler's one-step method.

Provided the curve in question was linear (a straight line), the left and right sides of the equation 2 would be exactly equal. Obviously this is not true except in the most trivial cases, where  $f(X, Y)$  is equal to some constant. As a result, it is necessary to replace the value  $f(X_n, Y_n)$  with a better approximation of the slope between the points  $(X_n, Y_n)$  and  $(X_{n+1}, Y_{n+1})$ , particularly if accuracy is important. In effect this is what the Runge-Kutta method does. It uses a "weighted average" of slopes within the interval  $X_n \leq X \leq X_{n+1}$ .

The formula for the fourth-order Runge-Kutta method using Runge's coefficients is as follows:

Equation 3

$$Y_{n+1} \doteq Y_n + M \cdot X_i$$

where

Equation 4

$$M = (m_0 + 2 \cdot m_1 + 2 \cdot m_2 + m_3)$$

Equation 4a

$$m_0 = f(X_n, Y_n)$$

Equation 4b

$$m_1 = f(X_n + X_i/2, Y_n + (m_0/2) \cdot X_i)$$

Equation 4c

$$m_2 = f(X_n + X_i/2, Y_n + (m_1/2) \cdot X_i)$$

Equation 4d

$$m_3 = f(X_n + X_i, Y_n + m_2 \cdot X_i)$$

Note that  $f(X_n, Y_n)$  in equation 2 has been replaced by  $M$  in equation 3. The value  $M$  is the "weighted average" of the slopes. The computed values  $m_0$ ,  $m_1$ ,  $m_2$ , and  $m_3$  are the slopes used to compute  $M$ . Figure 1 includes a geometric interpretation of these values.

Let's summarize what we've accomplished so far. Given a first-order ordinary differential equation and initial conditions, we are able to iteratively approximate values of  $Y$  along an interval of  $X$ .

Up to this point we have limited our discussion to first-order equations. Solving higher-order equations, however, is just as easy. In fact the Runge-Kutta method described above is not changed. The ability to transform a higher-order equation into a system of first-order equations is the key.

For example, let's assume you're given the following second-order equation:

Equation 5

$$Y1'' + Y1' + Y1 = \sin(X)$$

Make the substitution



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values X, Y(1), and Y(2) are saved by the subroutine on lines 800 through 845.

Line 410 compares X to see if XE (end of the X-interval) has been reached. If it hasn't then  $Y_{n+1}$  is calculated. Upon reaching the end of the X-interval, the results are printed.

The third main section, lines 500 through 700, prints the results that have been stored in arrays X(1..J), P1(1..J), and P2(1..J), where J is the number of values stored. Lines 500 through 600 print general information about the solution. This is self-explanatory. However, note that line 510 may be deleted for some printers.

Lines 605 through 620 calculate the tabbing factors, F1 and F2, for plotting Y(1) and Y(2). These variables are used to scale the plotted points so that the minimum Y value falls on column 47 and the maximum Y value falls on column 79.

The table heading is printed by lines 625 and 630. Next, lines 635 through 685 print the table and plot the results. Columns 47 through 79 are reserved for the graph. T1 and T2 (lines 655 and 660) are the amount of spaces to the

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10 REM *****
20 REM ** 4TH-ORDER RUNGE-KUTTA METHOD **
30 REM ** FOR SOLUTION OF **
40 REM ** DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS **
50 REM ** **
60 REM ** WRITTEN BY R. WALKER **
70 REM ** WICHITA, KS **
80 REM *****
90 DIM Y(5),YI(5),YN(5),F(5),M(5),XP(200),PI(200),P2(200)
95 :
96 :
100 REM ** INTRODUCTION *****
105 HOME
110 HTAB (6): PRINT "4TH-ORDER RUNGE-KUTTA METHOD"
115 HTAB (12): PRINT "FOR SOLUTION OF"
120 MTAB (9): PRINT "DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS"
125 PRINT : PRINT : PRINT
130 PRINT "ENTER SYSTEM OF FIRST-ORDER EQUATIONS"
135 PRINT "ON LINES 1001-1998."
140 LIST 1001,1998
145 INPUT "CONTINUE (Y/N)? "A$
150 IF A$ = "N" THEN END
155 HOME
160 VTAB (3)
165 INPUT "NUMBER OF 1ST-ORDER EQS.- "N
170 INPUT "INTERVAL OF X (BEGIN,END)- "XB,XE
175 INPUT "INCREMENT OF X (CALC)- "IC
180 INPUT "INCREMENT OF X (PRINT)- "IP
185 PRINT : PRINT "INITIAL VALUE(S):"
190 FOR I = 1 TO N
195 PRINT " Y("I;": "Y(I)
200 YI(I) = Y(I)
205 NEXT
210 XP(I) = XB:PI(I) = Y(I):P2(I) = Y(2): REM FIRST PRINTED VALUES
215 J = 1: REM NUMBER OF PRINTED VALUES
220 X = XB:XP = XB: REM INITIALIZED BEGINNING X AND XP
225 XP = XP + IP: REM NEXT VALUE TO BE PRINTED
230 :
235 :
300 REM ** CALCULATE YN+1 *****
305 GOSUB 1000: REM CALCULATE MO FROM (XN,YN)

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310 FOR E = 1 TO N
315 YN(E) = Y(E):M(E) = F(E):Y(E) = YN(E) + IC * F(E) / 2
320 NEXT
325 X = X + IC / 2
330 GOSUB 1000: REM CALCULATE M1 FROM (XN+IC/2,YN+(M0/2)*IC)
335 FOR E = 1 TO N
340 M(E) = M(E) + 2 * F(E): REM (M0+2*M1)
345 Y(E) = YN(E) + IC * F(E) / 2
350 NEXT
355 GOSUB 1000: REM CALCULATE M2 FROM (XN+IC/2,YN+(M1/2)*IC)
360 FOR E = 1 TO N
365 M(E) = M(E) + 2 * F(E): REM (M0+2*M1+2*M2)
370 Y(E) = YN(E) + F(E) * 1E
375 NEXT
380 X = X + IC / 2
385 GOSUB 1000: REM CALCULATE M3 FROM (X+IC,YN+(M2)*IC)
390 FOR E = 1 TO N
395 Y(E) = YN(E) + (M(E) + F(E)) * IC / 6: REM CALCULATE YN+1
400 NEXT
405 IF ABS (X - XP) < .0001 OR X > XP THEN GOSUB 800: REM CLOSE ENOUGH
      !--- NOW SAVE VALUES
410 IF X < XE GOTO 300
415 :
420 :
500 REM ** PRINT RESULTS *****
505 PRINT CHR$(4); "PR#1"
510 PRINT CHR$(9); "BON": REM NOT REQUIRED IN SOME PRINTERS
515 PRINT : PRINT "4TH-ORDER RUNGE-KUTTA SOLUTION TO THE FOLLOWING 1ST-OR
      DER SYSTEM:"
520 LIST 1001,1998
525 PRINT "INITIAL CONDITIONS,"
530 FOR E = 1 TO N
535 PRINT " Y("E;") = "YI(E)
540 NEXT
545 PRINT
550 PRINT "X INTERVAL "XB;" TO "XE
555 PRINT "X INCREMENT (CALC) = "IC
560 PRINT "X INCREMENT (PRINT) = "IP
565 PRINT
570 PRINT "Y(1) MIN = "N1
575 PRINT "Y(1) MAX = "X1
580 IF N = 1 GOTO 600
585 PRINT
590 PRINT "Y(2) MIN = "N2
595 PRINT "Y(2) MAX = "X2
600 PRINT
605 IF X1 = N1 THEN F1 = 0: GOTO 615
610 F1 = 32 / (X1 - N1): REM TAB FACTOR FOR Y(1)
615 IF X2 = N2 THEN F2 = 0: GOTO 625
620 F2 = 32 / (X2 - N2): REM TAB FACTOR FOR Y(2)
625 PRINT "      X          Y(1)          Y(2)          PLOT Y(1) A
      NO Y(2)"
630 PRINT "-----"
635 FOR I = 1 TO J
640 PRINT XP(I);
645 HTAB (15): PRINT P1(I);
650 IF N < > 1 THEN HTAB (31): PRINT P2(I);
655 T1 = INT ((P1(I) - N1) * F1)
660 T2 = INT ((P2(I) - N2) * F2)
665 IF N = 1 THEN POKE 36,T1 + 47: PRINT "1": GOTO 685
670 IF T1 < T2 THEN POKE 36,T1 + 47: PRINT "1": POKE 36,T2 + 47: PRINT
      "2": GOTO 685
675 IF T2 < T1 THEN POKE 36,T2 + 47: PRINT "2": POKE 36,T1 + 47: PRINT
      "1": GOTO 685
680 POKE 36,T1 + 47: PRINT "*"
685 NEXT
690 PRINT : PRINT
695 PRINT CHR$(4); "PR#0"
700 END
705 :
710 :
800 REM ** SUBROUTINE- SAVE X, Y(1), AND Y(2) ****
805 J = J + 1: REM COUNT NUMBER OF ORDERED PAIR TO BE PRINTED
810 XP(J) = INT (X * 10000 + .5) / 10000:P1(J) = Y(1):P2(J) = Y(2)
815 IF P1(J) < N1 THEN N1 = P1(J): REM COMPARE FOR MINIMUM P1
820 IF P1(J) > X1 THEN X1 = P1(J): REM COMPARE FOR MAXIMUM P1
825 IF N = 1 GOTO 840
830 IF P2(J) < N2 THEN N2 = P2(J): REM COMPARE FOR MINIMUM P2
835 IF P2(J) > X2 THEN X2 = P2(J): REM COMPARE FOR MAXIMUM P2
840 XP = XP + 1P: REM INCREMENT XP BY 1P
845 RETURN
850 :
855 :
1000 REM ** SUBROUTINE- FIRST ORDER SYSTEM *****
1001 REM EXAMPLE PROBLEM
1002 REM Y1'' + Y1' + Y1 = SIN(X) (EQ. 5)
1100 F(1) = Y(2): REM (EQ. 7)
1200 F(2) = - Y(1) - Y(2) + SIN (X): REM (EQ. 8)
1999 RETURN

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right of column 47 that the points Y(1) and Y(2) should be plotted. Lines 670 through 680 determine which value {Y(1) or Y(2)} should be plotted first. If T1 = T2 then an asterisk will be printed in this position (line 680).

In Applesoft, the HTAB command does not seem to work for any value greater than 40 when using a printer. This is the reason for using the POKE command in lines 665 through 675. Lines 650 and 665 are used to handle first-order equations, in which Y(2) is not calculated or plotted.

## Program Operation

Operation of this program is straightforward. To illustrate this, we will solve equation 5 (mentioned earlier). But first, let's relate this equation to some physical phenomenon.

The movement of a suspended mass-spring system obeys this equation. Let's assume we have an object suspended from a spring to which we are applying a force. Furthermore, assume that there exists a dampening force which is proportional to the velocity of the mass. This dampening force is usually exerted by a dashpot mechanism. The general equation then becomes:

### Equation 9

$$m \cdot Y'' + c \cdot Y' + K \cdot Y = F(X)$$

where,

Y'' = acceleration of mass  
Y' = velocity of mass  
Y = position of mass  
m = mass in slugs (lbm/32)  
c = dampening constant (lbf/ft/s)  
k = spring constant (lbf/ft)  
F(X) = external force

Now equation 5 has physical significance. It describes the movement of a mass-spring system where:

m = 1 slug (32 lbm)  
c = 1lbf/ft/s  
k = 1lbf/ft  
F(X) = sin(X)

Note that X is actually time in seconds.

Once the program is loaded, it is first necessary to delete lines 1001 through 1998. This clears the system of first-order equations. Next, the new system of first-order equations will be entered on these lines. In this example equations 7 and 8 would be entered as shown in the listing, lines 1100 and

1200. Lines 1001 and 1002 are for documentation purposes. Now we are ready to run the program.

In this example the number of first-order equations will be two.  $Y(1)$  and  $Y(2)$  will be calculated in the  $X$ -interval 0 through 7. Next, the increment for calculations will be set to 0.1. In general, the smaller the value of  $IC$ , the more accurate the calculations. However, for this program  $IC$  should be no smaller than 0.001. This will prevent excessive roundoff errors when calculating  $X$  and will also shorten the run time.

The next value requested by the program is the increment at which we would like  $X$ ,  $Y(1)$ , and  $Y(2)$  to be printed. The value 0.2 was selected for this example. We are now ready to enter the initial conditions.

In this example the suspended object will start at rest. Thus  $Y(1)$  (position) will be entered as zero. Likewise  $Y(2)$  (velocity) will be entered as zero. In less than a minute the printer will begin printing the results.

One important item should be mentioned concerning the graphs of  $Y(1)$  and  $Y(2)$ . Except in special cases, these two graphs are not superimposable, for two reasons. First, the values  $Y(1)$  and  $Y(2)$  are not scaled equally. Second, the graphs have been translated along the  $Y$ -axis, so the points  $Y(1)=0$  and  $Y(2)=0$  will not be plotted at the same location on the paper.

As mentioned earlier, many ordinary differential equations are difficult to solve and do not yield a solution in a closed form. The above example, however, is easily solved and does yield a solution in a closed form. Without showing the intermediate steps, the particular solution to equation 5, given the initial conditions, is as follows:

$$Y(1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right) + e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right) - \cos(x)$$

Using this closed form of  $Y(1)$ , I have calculated  $Y(1)$  at various points along the same  $X$ -interval specified in the sample run above. Table 2 compares the values of  $Y(1)$  attained by using both methods. In addition, the error introduced by using the fourth-order Runge-Kutta method has been calculated to four significant digits.

**Table 2: Comparison  $Y(1)$  (Runge-Kutta Method) with  $Y(1)$  (closed form).**

X	YR	YC	%ERROR
0	0	0	0
0.2	1.26418842E-03	1.2641776E-03	0.0009
0.4	9.52598452E-03	9.5260127E-03	-0.0003
0.6	0.0300806999	0.030080796	-0.0003
0.8	0.0662560792	0.066256253	-0.0003
1.0	0.119397604	0.119397847	-0.0002
2.0	0.566721104	0.566721202	0.0000
3.0	0.865638477	0.865637729	0.0001
4.0	0.500521919	0.500520853	0.0002
5.0	-0.358252617	-0.358252752	0.0000
6.0	-0.962461007	-0.962459781	0.0001
7.0	-0.728262772	-0.728261216	0.0002

$$\%ERROR = 100 * (YR - YC)/YC$$

where,

YR =  $Y(1)$  calculated by Runge-Kutta method

YC =  $Y(1)$  calculated by closed form

Table 2 demonstrates that the fourth-order Runge-Kutta method for solution of ordinary differential yields

very accurate results, with minimal effort. For those interested in the derivation of this method, the references listed below should be consulted.

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The Legrange polynomial is based on the idea that by knowing the coordinates of  $n$  number of points, you can deduce the coefficients of a polynomial of  $n-1$  degree which must pass through those coordinates. That polynomial can then be used to estimate the value of the function between the known points.

Use of the Legrange polynomial can be illustrated by the interpolation of the sine function of any angle between 0 and 90 degrees, given the actual sines

for just four angles. Of course this technique will work with any set of data and is not limited to the approximation of trigonometric functions. For this example, assume you know only the following:

Degrees (x)	Sine (y)
0.0	0.0
30.0	0.5
60.0	0.866025
90.0	1.0

For any other angle, designated  $x'$ , the sine function for that angle, designated  $y'$ , can be estimated using the Legrange polynomial as follows:

$$y' = y_1 L_1 + y_2 L_2 + y_3 L_3 + \dots y_n L_n$$

In this case:

$x_1 = 0.0$	$y_1 = 0.0$
$x_2 = 30.0$	$y_2 = 0.5$
$x_3 = 60.0$	$y_3 = 0.866025$
$x_4 = 90.0$	$y_4 = 1.0$

For this example, we will find the interpolated value of the sine of 45 degrees. Thus,  $x' = 45.0$ .

Where  $i = 1$  to  $n$ ,  $L_i$  is calculated in figure 1.

A more concise way to define the value of  $L_i$  uses the product sign  $\prod$  as follows:

$$L_i = \prod_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n \frac{(x' - x_j)}{(x_i - x_j)}$$

Thus to arrive at a value for  $y'$ :

$$y' = 0(-0.0625) + .5(.5625) + .866025(.5625) + 1(-0.0625)$$

$$y' = 0.7059$$

The actual value for the sine of 45 degrees is given in most references as 0.7071, giving an error of 0.0012 on the interpolated value. The sine value for other angles could be similarly estimated.

Listing 1 is a BASIC program which automates the Legrange technique. The program was originally written for an OSI Superboard, but should run on any BASIC system with only minor modifications. The maximum number of known coordinates that can be entered into the program is arbitrarily set at 25, but more can be accommodated by changing the dimensioned size of the X

Figure 1

$$L_1 = \frac{(x' - x_2)(x' - x_3)(x' - x_4)}{(x_1 - x_2)(x_1 - x_3)(x_1 - x_4)} = \frac{(45-30)(45-60)(45-90)}{(0-30)(0-60)(0-90)} = -0.0625$$

$$L_2 = \frac{(x' - x_1)(x' - x_3)(x' - x_4)}{(x_2 - x_1)(x_2 - x_3)(x_2 - x_4)} = \frac{(45-0)(45-60)(45-90)}{(30-0)(30-60)(30-90)} = 0.5625$$

$$L_3 = \frac{(x' - x_1)(x' - x_2)(x' - x_4)}{(x_3 - x_1)(x_3 - x_2)(x_3 - x_4)} = \frac{(45-0)(45-30)(45-90)}{(60-0)(60-30)(60-90)} = 0.5625$$

$$L_4 = \frac{(x' - x_1)(x' - x_2)(x' - x_3)}{(x_4 - x_1)(x_4 - x_2)(x_4 - x_3)} = \frac{(45-0)(45-30)(45-60)}{(90-0)(90-30)(90-60)} = -0.0625$$

and Y strings, and by changing the "TO" value in the data entry loop. The program in listing 1 consumes 930 bytes, and will run in about 12 seconds on the 6502-based Superboard when 25 data points are used.

The program first queries for the x,y coordinates of the known points. Any number of pairs up to 25 may be entered. To get out of the data entry routine, simply input END,END in response to the query. The program then asks for x', and displays the interpolated value y' a few seconds later. To generate another interpolation, enter R in response to the program query. Entering E at this point will exit the program. To change or add data points, the program must be run from scratch. The results of running the sine interpolation example are shown in the sample run.

There are a few guidelines to follow for best results. It is essential to understand that the program generates a polynomial that will exactly intersect only the given points. The assumption is that the interpolated points will closely (but not exactly) fit the curve of the unknown function. When using the

program to emulate a graphical fly-wheel factor, it is best to plot a few interpolated points on the same graph to see how well the program is predicting the actual values. You may need to adjust the data points to achieve a more precise fit. The more rapidly the instantaneous slope of a function changes, the greater the number of data points needed to obtain a good interpolation.

Take a piece of graph paper and draw a smooth continuous function, freehand. (Only one value of y for each x; no fair doubling the curve back on itself!) Take about four coordinates spaced equally along the curve and enter them into the program. The interpolations for intermediate values will surprise you with their accuracy.

This program is intended only to demonstrate the basic method of using the Lagrange polynomial. It can be easily adapted as a subroutine for larger programs where the known points could be taken from DATA statements. There are intriguing possibilities for systems with advanced graphics. Also, integrals and roots may be estimated for functions where there are only a few known data points.

#### Sample Run

RUN

LEGRANGE POLYNOMIAL

ENTER X 1 , Y 1  
0,0

ENTER X 2 , Y 2  
30,.5

ENTER X 3 , Y 3  
60,.866025

ENTER X 4 , Y 4  
90,1

ENTER X 5 , Y 5  
END,END

ENTER X' 45

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ENTER X' 25

Y' = 0.423322

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END

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### Listing 1

```
10 REM ***** LEGRANGE INTERPOLATING POLYNOMIAL *****
20 REM ***** BY PAUL H. MULLER - JULY 1981 *****
30 DIM X(25),Y(25)
40 N=0
50 PRINT
60 PRINT" LEGRANGE POLYNOMIAL"
70 PRINT
80 FOR I=1 TO 25
90 PRINT" ENTER X";I;",";"Y";I
100 INPUT X$,Y$
110 IF X$="END" THEN 160
120 X(I)=VAL(X$)
130 Y(I)=VAL(Y$)
140 N=N+1
150 NEXT I
160 PRINT
170 PRINT
180 INPUT" ENTER X'";XP
190 F=0
200 FOR I=1 TO N
210 S=1
220 D=1
230 FOR J=1 TO N
240 IF J=I THEN 270
250 S=S*(XP-X(J))
260 D=D*(X(I)-X(J))
270 NEXT J
280 L=S/D
290 F=F+(Y(I)*L)
300 NEXT I
310 FOR I=1 TO 5
320 PRINT
330 NEXT I
340 PRINT" Y' =" ;F
350 PRINT
360 PRINT
370 INPUT "RUN AGAIN OR EXIT";C$
380 IF C$="R" THEN 160
390 IF C$="E" THEN 410
400 GOTO 350
410 END
```

Note: VAL(X\$) converts the string variable X\$ to its numerical value

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# SIN(X)

## The Hard Way

Microsoft BASIC uses a series expansion formula to calculate the sine of an angle. The logic of this machine language routine is emulated here in a BASIC program.

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Nearly every BASIC interpreter has built-in trigonometric functions. A simple call,  $Z = \text{SIN}(X)$ , magically produces the sine of the angle  $X$ . This function is very useful in plotting intricate patterns and in games for finding the trajectory of phasers, rockets, bombs, and the like. This article probes the algorithm used by Microsoft BASIC to calculate the sine function. A way to increase the speed of the sine routine is suggested if some loss of accuracy can be tolerated.

Before we look at the programming, we must understand the mathematics. The sine of  $X$  is defined by an infinite series expansion.

$$\text{SIN}(X) = X - \frac{X^3}{3!} + \frac{X^5}{5!} - \frac{X^7}{7!} + \frac{X^9}{9!} \dots$$

to infinity

This equation is valid for all values of  $X$ , but the equation has an infinite number of terms. It is difficult, even for a computer, to add up all the terms. Any desired accuracy can be obtained if enough terms in the series are used. How many terms are enough? The answer depends on the magnitude of  $X$ . The series converges quickly for small values of  $X$ , but more slowly as  $X$  becomes larger. If  $X \ll 1$ , then  $X$  to a positive power rapidly becomes vanishingly small. For example if  $X = 0.1$ ,

then  $X^3 = .001$  and  $X^5 = .00001$ . All the terms except the first can be ignored, leaving

$$\text{SIN}(X) = X$$

This simplest approximation begins to fail as  $X$  is increased above .4. The following table shows the actual values of sine for small  $X$ .

$\text{SIN}(.05)$	$= .04998$
$\text{SIN}(.1)$	$= .09983$
$\text{SIN}(.2)$	$= .19867$
$\text{SIN}(.4)$	$= .38942$

If  $X = 1$ , then in the series expansion all the terms  $X^n = 1$ . However, each higher order term is becoming smaller due to the  $N!$  in the denominator. In the 5th term,  $9! = 362880$  so that this term adds  $1/9! = .0000027$  to the sine. Higher order terms can certainly be ignored.

If  $X \gg 1$ , then the  $X^n$  in the numerators can also be large. If  $X = 10$ , then the 5th term becomes  $1,000,000,000/362880$  and beyond the ability of my pocket calculator to carry enough significant decimal places. Eventually the  $N!$  in the denominator will be greater than the  $X^n$  in the numerator and any further terms will become insignificant. However, every term in the sum must be calculated to be accurate to as many decimal places as you wish in the final sine value. For large values of  $X$ , this becomes impossible in a practical sense.

Since the sine is a periodic function, several tricks are used to shorten the amount of calculation involved. Large values of  $X$  can be avoided by using the trigonometric identity  $\text{SIN}(X + 2\pi) = \text{SIN}(X)$ . That is, any angle greater than one revolution can be reduced by multiples of  $2\pi$  without affecting the sine. Thus the argument  $X$  can always be reduced to less than  $6.28$  or  $2\pi$ . Using the additional relationship  $\text{SIN}(X) = \text{SIN}(\pi/2 - X)$  the argument can be further reduced to  $-\pi/2 < X < \pi/2$ .

Thus the sine of any angle can be expressed as the sine of an angle between  $-90^\circ$  and  $90^\circ$ . Since  $X$  must always be reduced to less than  $1.57$ , the sine can be calculated to better than six-digit accuracy by using only the first five terms of the infinite series.

The form of the sine equation given above is fine for human use, but a little rearranging is necessary for an efficient computer routine. First a change in variables is made by substituting  $Y = X/2\pi$ .

$$\text{SIN}(X) = 2\pi Y - \frac{(2\pi Y)^3}{3!} + \frac{(2\pi Y)^5}{5!} - \frac{(2\pi Y)^7}{7!} + \frac{(2\pi Y)^9}{9!} \dots$$

Then, substituting the numerical value for  $\pi$  and evaluating the factorials gives

$$\text{SIN}(X) = A*Y + B*Y^3 + C*Y^5 + D*Y^7 + E*Y^9$$

$A =$	$6.2831$
$B =$	$-41.3417$
$C =$	$81.6052$
$D =$	$-76.7058$
$E =$	$42.05869$

Again, for the benefit of the computer, the equation is rearranged to give

$$\text{SIN}(X) = Y(A + Y^2(B + Y^2(C + Y^2(D + Y^2(E))))))$$

This rather strange equation is very neatly solved by a programming loop. Starting with the innermost value  $E$ , the next term is always found by multiplying by  $Y^2$  and adding the next constant. This procedure is repeated for as many terms in the series as are desired. The final step is to multiply by  $Y$ .

Following is a BASIC program to calculate the sine of an angle by the logic described above. The value found

is compared to your built-in sine routine. The two should be identical.

Lines 60 to 110 divide the argument by  $2\pi$  and take the fractional part of the answer. This reduces the angle to less than one revolution. Lines 120 to 220 reduce the angle to between  $-90^\circ$  and  $+90^\circ$ . The reduced argument is stored in A4 while its square is stored in A8. Lines 260 to 350 add up the terms of the series expansion. The number of terms added is controlled by the variable B1.

With some sacrifice in accuracy, the sine routine can be quickened by computing fewer terms in the series. In the BASIC program this is done by changing the loop counter from "4" to "3" and deleting the next piece of data (39.7109). The loop counter can be decreased to 2 and then to 1 with further loss of accuracy. Table 1 was generated using from one to five terms in the sine equation.

Note that the worst loss in accuracy is at the largest value of X. Even the three-term approximation of sine is ac-

Table 1					
Number of Terms in Equation					
(X)	5	4	3	2	1
.1	.09983	.09983	.09983	.09983	.1000
.4	.38942	.38942	.38942	.38933	.4000
.8	.71736	.71736	.71740	.71467	.8000
1.2	.93204	.93203	.93274	.91200	1.200
1.5	.99749	.99740	1.00078	.9375	1.500

curate to better than 1%. For most games and even plotting high-resolution patterns, this accuracy is sufficient. However, you will not increase the speed of your program by using this BASIC program to calculate sines. If you understand the logic of the machine language sine routine, you can relocate it into RAM and change the loop counter to increase speed or accuracy as needed.

The BASIC program follows exactly the same logic as the machine sine routine in OSI ROM BASIC. The variables A1 and A2 correspond to the primary and secondary floating point accumulators. Data must be moved to these registers before any mathematical operations can be done. Thus the BASIC program is written in a rather strange fashion to simulate the machine code. (Continued on page 28)

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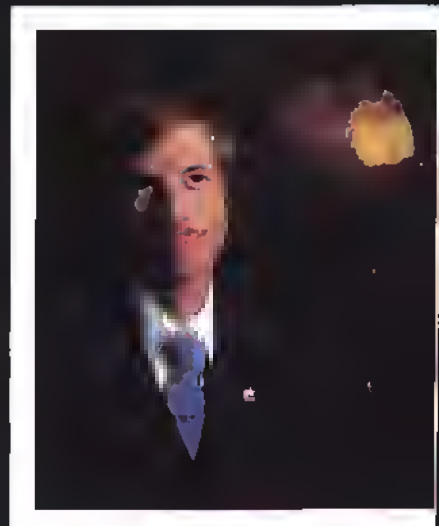
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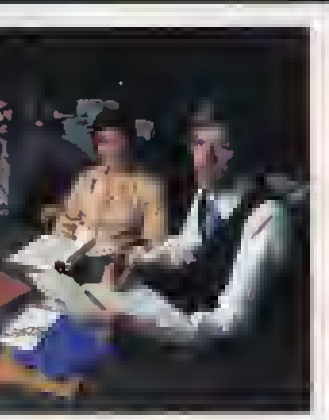
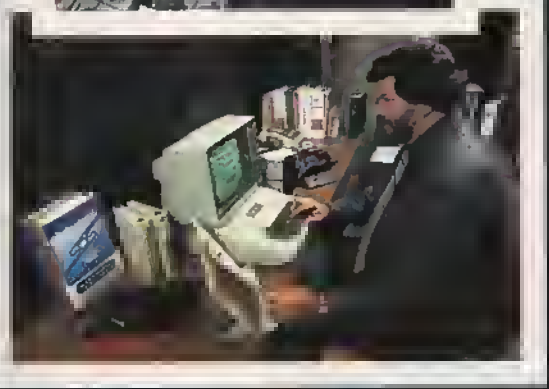
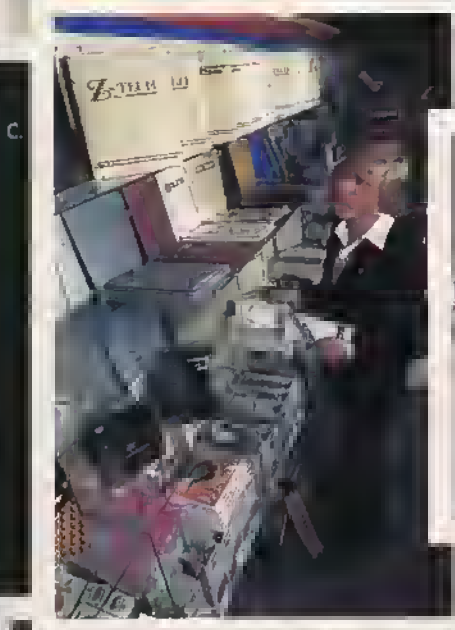
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The variables A4, A8 and B1 represent page zero addresses. The machine code is stored in ROM starting at \$BC03, and the data table begins at \$BC7C. The data is stored in four-byte floating point format (except for the loop counter "4"). The data table can be read by using the following trick: Cold start BASIC and in immediate mode enter AA=1. Then jump to the monitor and look at the hex data stored at \$0303 and beyond. You will find

```
$0303 41 = "A"
$0304 41 = "A"
$0305 81 This is the floating
$0306 00 point expression
$0307 00 for 1
$0308 00
```

The first four bytes in the sine data table at \$BC7C are 83 49 0F DB. Put this hex data into memory starting at \$0305. Then warm start BASIC and PRINT AA. The value of AA is now 6.28319 or the first value in the data table of the BASIC program. The remainder of the data table can be decoded in a similar fashion. Be careful of the single byte "4" at \$BC84. Those of you with sharp eyes will note the value for "E" from the theoretical equation does not exactly agree with the value in OSI's data table [42.0 vs. 39.7].

**ACRO**

```
10 REM SINE ROUTINE
15 REM
20 REM BY EARL MORRIS
25 REM
30 CLEAR
40 INPUT "ARGUMENT FOR SINE";A1
50 PRINT SIN (A1);: REM USE INTERNAL SINE
60 A2 = A1
70 READ A1: REM GET 2*PI
80 A1 = A2 / A1: REM DIVIDE BY 2 PI
90 A2 = A1
100 A1 = INT (A1)
110 A1 = A2 - A1: REM TAKE FRACTIONAL PART
120 READ A2: REM GET .25
130 A1 = A2 - A1
140 IF A1 >= 0 THEN FLAG = 1
150 IF FL = 1 THEN 180
160 A1 = A1 + .5
170 IF A1 < 0 THEN 190
180 A1 = - A1
190 RESTORE : READ A2: READ A2: REM USE .25 AGAIN
200 A1 = A1 + A2
210 IF FL = 1 THEN 230
220 A1 = - A1
230 A4 = A1: REM FIRST QUADRANT ARGUMENT
240 A1 = A1 * A4
250 A8 = A1: REM ARGUMENT SQUARED
260 READ B1: REM TERMS IN SERIES EXPANSION
270 READ A2: REM GET COEFFICIENT
280 A1 = A1 * A2
290 READ A2: REM GET COEFFICIENT
300 A1 = A1 + A2
310 A2 = A8: REM GET ARG SQUARED
320 B1 = B1 - 1
330 IF B1 < > 0 THEN 280
340 A2 = A4: REM GET ARG
350 A1 = A1 * A2
360 PRINT A1: REM PRINT CALCULATED SINE
370 GOTO 10
380 DATA 6.283185, .25, 4, 39.7109, -76.575, 81.6022
390 DATA -41.3417, 6.283185
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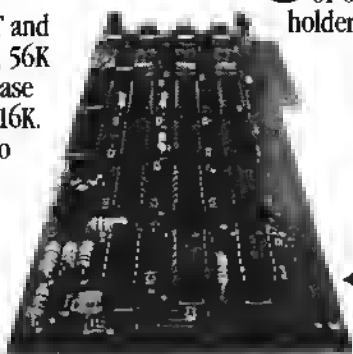
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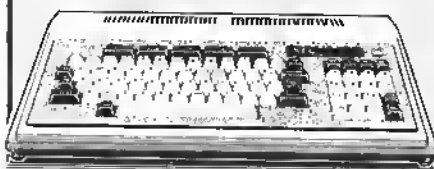
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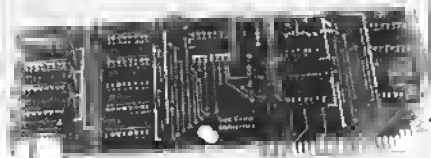
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## From Here to Atari

By James Capparelli

### More on the Disk

Last month we looked at the floppy disk and the structure that constitutes DOS II. This month I will discuss one problem that plagues some early disk drives and describe an inexpensive remedy. I will also include an assembly language program that lists disk directory files.

Disk drives purchased prior to fall 1981 are susceptible to a few problems — including frequent errors 144 and 138. These errors are due in part to the use of the Western Digital disk controller chip, 1771. This chip, when used without a Western Digital Data Separator (D.S.) independent of the chip, provides marginal performance.

The D.S. functions to separate clock pulses from data pulses. As a drive is used, mechanical parts begin to wear, heads get out of alignment, speed varies, and errors occur, especially on the inside tracks, sector 600 and above. Recently added programs will not reload without generating the 144 error. Atari has corrected this problem in drives that were shipped after fall '81. Built into the new drives are the necessary D.S. as well as power supply improvements and the new ROM formatter (discussed last month). You can determine that a drive is new by looking for the circular stickers with DS and C printed on them. There has been some indication that there will be a retrofit available to those with old drives.

Another solution is available — the Data Separator board from the Percom Company. Initially this board was designed for Radio Shack disk drives suffering from the same problems due to use of the same 1771 chip. The board is available for \$30 from the Percom Company, 211 N. Kirby, Garland, Texas 75042. It is relatively easy to install if you are familiar with a soldering iron and are not afraid of integrated circuits. Since tinkering with your drives will void your three-month warranty, I'd advise you to wait three months after purchase before trying this procedure.

```
10 .TITLE " GET DISC DIRECTORY"
20 .PAGE " DIR.ASM"
30 ; THIS PROGRAM ACCESSES THE DISC DIRECTORY
40 ; AND PRINTS IT TO SCREEN
50 ; IT RESIDES IN PAGE 6 TO MAKE IT AVAILABLE TO BASIC
60 ; USE L OPTION IN DOS MENU TO LOAD FILE
65 ; CALL FROM BASIC X=USR(1536)
70 ;
80 OPEN=#03 OPEN COMMAND
90 CLOSE=#0C CLOSE COMMAND
0100 GETREC=#05 GET RECORD COMMAND
0110 PUTREC=#09 PUT RECORD COMMAND
0120 IOCB0=#00 INDEX FOR IOCB 0 ASSIGNED TO E:
0130 IOCB5=#50 INDEX FOR IOCB 5 ASSIGNED TO DISC
0140 CIOV=#E456 CIO ENTRY VECTOR
0150 EOF=#88 END OF FILE STATUS VALUE
0160 ICHID=#340 HANDLER I.D. SET BY CIO
0170 ICDNO=ICHID+1 DEVICE # SET BY CIO
0180 ICCOM=ICDNO+1 COMMAND BYTE
0190 ICSTA=ICCOM+1 STATUS BYTE SET BY CIO
0200 ICBAL=ICSTA+1 BUFFER ADR LOW
0210 ICBALH=ICBAL+1 BUFFER ADR HI
0220 ICPTL=ICBAH+1
0230 ICPH=ICPTL+1
0240 ICBLL=ICPTH+1 BUFFER LEN LO
0250 ICBLLH=ICBLL+1 BUFFER LEN HI
0260 ICAX1=ICBLH+1 AUX1
0270 ICAX2=ICAX1+1 AUX2
0280 ;
0290 ;
0300 *=$0600 PAGE 6
0310 PLA CLEAR NULL VAL FROM BASIC USR FUNCTION
0320 LDX #IOCB5
0330 LDA #OPEN OPEN FILE OR DIRECTORY
0340 STA ICCOM,X COMMAND BYTE
0350 LDA #NAME$*FF SET UP BUFFER POINTER
0360 STA ICBAL,X TO POINT TO DIR SEARCH
0370 LDA #NAME/256 COMMAND D:*,*
0380 STA ICBALH,X
0390 LDA #06 SETUP FOR INPUT
0400 STA ICAX1,X
0410 LDA #0
0420 STA ICAX2,X
0430 JSR CIOV GO OPEN FILE
0440 BPL A05 EVERYTHING OK
0450 BMI EXIT ERR ON OPEN FILE
0460 A05 LDA #GETREC
0470 STA ICCOM,X
0480 LDA #PUTREC
0490 STA ICCOM SETUP IOCB 0
0500 LDA #06E
0510 STA ICBAL,X BUFFER LOW
0520 STA ICBAL
0530 LDA #06
0540 STA ICBALH,X
0550 STA ICBALH
0560 A10 LDA #014 SET MAX, RECORD SIZE
0570 STA ICBLL,X
0580 STA ICBLL
0590 LDA #0
0600 STA ICBLLH,X
0610 STA ICBLLH
0620 JSR CIOV READ ONE DIR RECORD
0630 BNE A20 EITHER EOF OR ERROR
0640 LDX #0 SETUP IOCB 0
0650 JSR CIOV GO WRITE RECORD TO E:
0660 LDX #050 RESET IOCB TO 5
0670 BNE A10 GO GET NEXT RECORD
0680 A20 CPY #EOF DONE ?
0690 BNE EXIT NO THIS WAS AN ERROR
0700 LDA #CLOSE SHUTDOWN FILE
0710 STA ICCOM,X
0720 JMP CIOV USE JMP HERE SO THAT RTS IN CIO
0730 ; EILL RETURN TO BASIC
0740 EXIT RTS
0750 ;
0760 ;
0770 NAME .BYTE "D:*,*"
0780 .END
```

At the top corners of your disk drive you will locate the Phillips-head screws. Pry off the concealing tabs, loosen the screws, and lift off the plastic top. As you view your drive from the front and top you will see a long board on your left. It is mounted vertically and there is a sheet-metal box covering part of the circuitry. The 1771 chip is socketed under this metal box along with some other chips such as the ROM formatter. (The metal box is included for RFI shielding.)

Carefully disassemble the board from the motherboard, which lies flat to the rear of the drive. Mark all wires as you unplug them. Pay attention to the front-rear, and top-bottom orientation of plugs to be assured of correct reassembly. After the long board is unplugged from the motherboard and the metal box has been pried loose, locate the 40-pin integrated circuit marked 1771.

Now find the crystal which sits about two inches forward of the 1771. This crystal must be moved to make room for the Percom D.S. Unsolder the crystal and solder on longer leads.

Return the crystal to its original location, but this time bend it forward. (The longer leads should allow this.) Carefully pry the 1771 out of its socket and insert it into the Percom D.S. circuit board in the orientation described in the board's instructions. Make sure every chip is properly seated again.

Following Percom's instructions, insert the new circuit board in place of the 1771. This board can really only be inserted logically in one direction, extending toward the front of the drive covering the crystal. Reassemble all boards and loose wires, taking care that orientations are correct. The metal box will not fit in its original location without cutting a notch for the newly moved crystal.

I recommend testing the disk before putting the cover on. You may need to reseat the chips again; I played with mine a couple of times before everything worked. Prior to installing this board I could not consistently read any sectors above about 600, the inner tracks. After installation everything worked like new.

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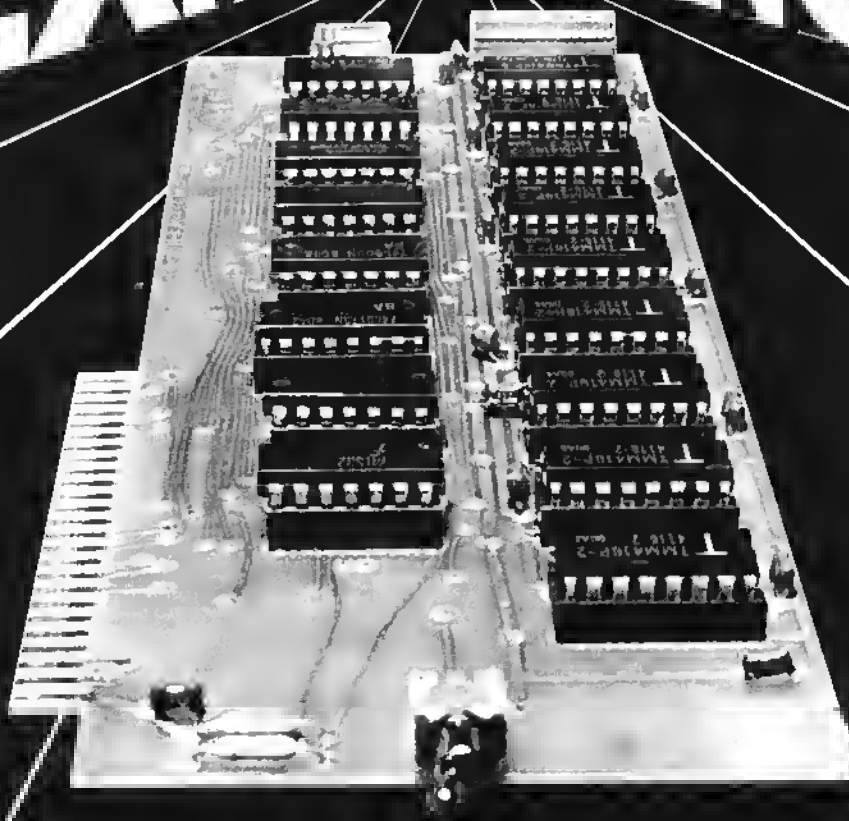
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## Hybrid Program Storage

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Usually for reasons involving speed, many Applesoft programs contain assembly language subroutines as an integral part. This "hybrid" form conventionally requires two SAVES (one for the assembly and one for the Applesoft) and, of course, two LOADs. An excellent example of this is Richard Suitor's hybrid *LIFE* program included in *MICRO on the Apple*, Volume I, page 168. The two LOADs can be irritating after using the program several times.

You can reduce this procedure to a single SAVE and LOAD through judicious use of the start- and end-of-program pointers located at \$67-\$68 and \$AF-\$B0 respectively. If your assembly language subroutines are located above the Applesoft program (i.e., higher memory) then all you need to do is put the final location of the assembly language subroutines into the end-of-program pointer. A single BASIC SAVE will now save everything, and a single BASIC LOAD will bring it all back. This is particularly convenient if you happen to be working with tape.

If your assembly language subroutines are located below the Applesoft program you must be a bit trickier. Set the start-of-program pointer to two locations prior to the start of the assembly language. Next, do your BASIC save, and then whenever you wish to load it be sure to set the start-of-program pointer to this same value. And before running, in this instance, the start-of-program pointer must be reset to the start of the Applesoft. Additionally, the byte immediately prior to the Applesoft must be set to 0 to avoid a SYNTAX ERROR message.

These same methods can be used to enable an Applesoft machine (Apple II Plus) to run Integer BASIC hybrid programs. For this application, in addition

to the measures described above, you must take care of another potential problem. Again, I direct you to Richard Suitor's *LIFE* as an illustration.

Mr. Suitor placed his assembly language routines at \$800 and used Integer BASIC. Since, as it turns out, all of his Integer BASIC commands are executable in Applesoft, it *should* run. However, Applesoft defaults to \$800 for the start of program storage.

To overcome this problem, simply set the start-of-program pointer to a point similar to \$1000 before you type in the BASIC. When you're finished, reset the pointer to \$7FE (i.e., two locations prior to the start of the assembly language). Set SFFF to 0 — the byte just before the Applesoft — and execute a BASIC SAVE. Now whenever you want to LOAD, set the start-of-program pointer to \$7FE and perform a standard BASIC LOAD.

## A Bug in Apple's RENUMBER

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The RENUMBER utility program supplied with Apple DOS 3.2 and 3.3 has an insidious bug. However, after you use RENUMBER, your program may

appear to run perfectly, so you may not even notice that your program's operations have been altered! RENUMBER will correctly change all line number references to agree with the new line numbers. Unfortunately, it also may alter any number in an arithmetic expression which follows an asterisk (the multiply operator), and has the same value as a pre-RENUMBER line number.

I obtained the corrections for the DOS 3.2 version from the Apple Hotline in May of 1980, but I recently discovered that the problem still exists in the DOS 3.3 version.

The fixes for the DOS 3.2 and DOS 3.3 versions of the program are similar: they involve swapping two data values in the program, as shown in table 1.

To permanently correct the RENUMBER program you must

1. LOAD RENUMBER
2. EXECUTE the two POKES for your version of DOS
3. SAVE RENUMBER

For your future reference, Apple dealers have a loose-leaf notebook which answers commonly-asked questions including "What's wrong with RENUMBER?" Also, *The Apple Orchard* indicates that the two locations to be POKED for RAM Applesoft RENUMBER are 14342 and 14343.

Table 1

From BASIC	DOS 3.2	DOS 3.3
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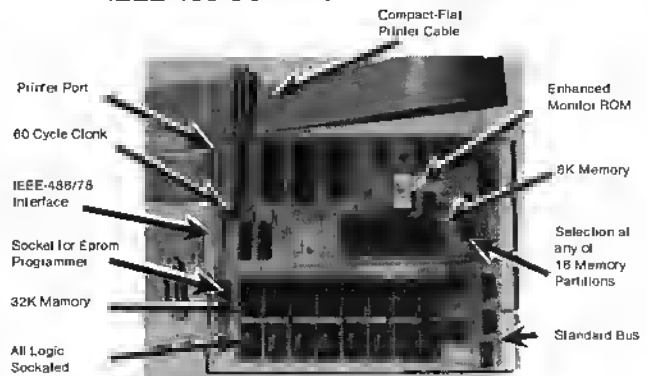
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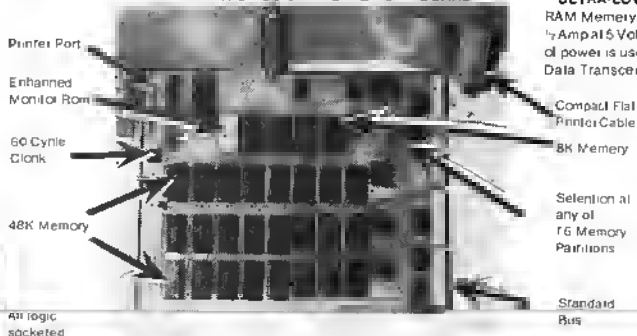
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# Cross Reference Generator for OSI BASIC-in-ROM

Program development and debugging often depend on keeping track of references and variables. The following article describes a cross reference generator for OSI ROM BASIC which will help you find any variable or line number within a BASIC program.

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It is almost inevitable that when you develop a large program in BASIC, you'll need to find all the references to some aspect of the program. If you decide to delete a particular line, it is important to locate all the GOTOs, THENs, and GOSUBs mentioning that line. If you want to conserve memory by merging two string variables into one, you must find all the appearances of the string variable names. A cross-reference generator program is extremely useful at times like these, for it can find references within your program much faster and more accurately than the traditional visual search.

A cross-reference generator is most often needed, however, when free memory is a scarce commodity. In this article we'll develop a cross-reference generator which requires less than 1K of RAM and will find references to variable names, constants, literals, line numbers, and any word in the vocabulary of BASIC.

When you type a line of BASIC program text, OSI BASIC-in-ROM stores that text in a condensed or "tokenized" format in RAM. Listing 1 is a program which takes a look at itself in RAM, and table 1 shows that program's output.

Table 1

768 0	787 ( 40	806 1 49	825 { 40
769 25	788 1 49	807 3	826 X 88..
770 3	789 2 50	808 206	827 ) 41
771 j 106	790 4 52	809 234	828 ; 59
772 234	791 ) 41	810 X 88	829 X 88
773 T 84	792 0	811 171	830 0
774 171	793 & 38	812 187	831 H 72
775 187	794 3	813 ( 40	832 3
776 ( 40	795 196	814 1 73	833
777 1 49	796 234	815 ) 41	10
778 2 50	797 129	816 0	834 235
779 3 51	798 1 73	817 ? 63	835 130
780 ) 41	799 171	818 3	836 1 73
781 163	800 7 55	819 0	837 ; 58
782 2 50	801 6 54	820 235	838 128
783 5 53	802 8 56	821 151	839 0
784 6 54	803 157	822 1 73	840 0
785 165	804 T 84	823 ; 59	841 0
786 187	805 0	824 192	842 0
			843 T 84

In listing 1, variable T points to the beginning address of numeric variable storage in RAM, which is also the end of your BASIC program text. The beginning of BASIC text is address 768. (See MICRO 31:61 for more information on text and variable storage area pointers.) To look at the RAM storing BASIC text, the FOR-NEXT loop examines all addresses from 768 to T. Line 60160 prints the address, the graphic corresponding to the data at the address, and the data at the address in decimal.

Although the printer used to create table 1 does not use OSI's entire graphics code, a comparison of listing 1 to its tokenized version in table 1 is very informative. First of all, we can see that the variable names, constants, and some BASIC symbols are stored in

their ASCII code form, just as if they were strings of characters. Most BASIC keywords and symbols, however, are stored as single characters called "tokens," and all of the tokens have values greater than 127.

The line number of each line is also stored. While each reference to a line number (GOTOs, GOSUBs, THENs) is stored as a string following the appropriate token, the line number of each tokenized line is stored at the beginning of the line in low-high format. For instance, line number 60010 begins at address 771:

PEEK(771)+256\*PEEK(772)=60010

Moreover, each line of tokenized text is terminated with a zero.

Listing 1

```
60010 T=PEEK(123)+256*PEEK
      (124)
60100 FORI=768TOT
60110 X=PEEK(I)
60160 PRINTI;CHR$(X);X
60170 NEXTI:END
```

Listing 2

```
60120 IFX=06D060500
60500 REM NEW LINE
60510 LINE=PEEK(I+3)+256*PEEK
      (I+4)
60520 PRINTLINE
60530 I=I+5
60540 GOTO60110
```

There are two other bytes of data between each terminating zero and the bytes representing the number of the following line. These are a pointer, also in low-high format, to the next line. For instance, before the beginning of line 60010 in RAM:

$PEEK(769) + 256 * PEEK(770) = 793$

At address 792 we see the zero terminating line 60010, and at address 795 and 796 the number of the second program line is stored. Therefore, the next-line pointer for each line points to the next-line pointer for the following line.

Listing 2 is a modification to be added to listing 1 which decodes and prints the number of each tokenized line. The program spots each terminating zero in line 60120 and branches to the line decoder. An interesting point about FOR-NEXT loops is utilized in line 60530: you can change the value of the loop variable while the loop is running. This enhances execution speed slightly by skipping the next-line pointers.

It stands to reason that, if BASIC can translate new text lines to tokens and, during a LIST, *vice versa*, then there should be a dictionary of BASIC vocabulary and corresponding tokens somewhere in ROM. In fact, the dictionary resides in addresses 41092 through 41314 [see MICRO 24:25, 23:65]. Listing 3 takes a look at the dictionary, and the results of listing 3 appear in table 2.

The items are placed in the dictionary in the numerical order of their corresponding tokens. The last character of each item has its most significant digit set to 1, to tell BASIC that the end of the item has been reached. In listing 3, X represents a byte of data in the dictionary, and is used in line 61040 to build a string, B\$, of consecutive bytes. Line 61050 branches to avoid incrementing the token number, variable TK, and printing and clearing B\$, if the item is not yet complete; i.e., if the most significant bit of X is cleared. While assembling B\$, we use Boolean logic in line 61040 to clear the most significant bit of every character, not just the last one. This may be overkill, but it is also compact code and serves our need to conserve RAM.

We can now knit together listings 1 through 3. This will enable us to search for any string, or token corresponding to a dictionary item, that we need to find.

### Listing 3

```
61000 REM LOOKUP TOKEN
61010 TK=127;B$=""
61020 FORI=41092TO41314
61030 X=PEEK(I)
61040 B$=B$+CHR$(XAND127)
61050 IFX<128GOTO61100
61060 TK=TK+1
61070 PRINTTK;B$
61080 B$=""
61100 NEXT
```

### Listing 4

```
60050 INPUT"WHICH STRING";A$:PRINT
60070 L=LEN(A$):B$=""
60130 B$=B$+CHR$(X)
60160 IFA$=RIGHT$(B$,L)THENPRINTLINE;
60170 NEXTI:PRINT:GOTO60050
60520 B$=""
```

### Listing 5

```
60030 INPUT"KEYWORD OR STRING";A$:PRINT
60040 IFA$(A$)=75GOTO61000
60170 NEXTI:PRINT:GOTO60030
61005 INPUT"WHICH KEYWORD";A$:PRINT
61015 L=LEN(A$)
61070 IFA$=LEFT$(B$,L)THENA$=CHR$(TK):GOTO60070
61200 PRINTA$;" NOT FOUND":PRINT:GOTO60030
```

Table 2

128 END	145 NULL	162 STEP	179 SQR
129 FOR	146 WAIT	163 +	180 RND
130 NEXT	147 LOAD	164 -	181 LOG
131 DATA	148 SAVE	165 *	182 EXP
132 INPUT	149 DEF	166 /	183 COS
133 DIM	150 POKE	167 ^	184 SIN
134 READ	151 PRINT	168 AND	185 TAN
135 LET	152 CONT	169 OR	186 ATN
136 GOTO	153 LIST	170 >	187 PEEK
137 RUN	154 CLEAR	171 =	188 LEN
138 IF	155 NEW	172 <	189 STR\$
139 RESTORE	156 TAB(	173 SGN	190 VAL
140 GOSUB	157 TO	174 INT	191 ASC
141 RETURN	158 FN	175 ABS	192 CHR\$
142 REM	159 SPC(	176 USR	193 LEFT\$
143 STOP	160 THEN	177 FRE	194 RIGHT\$
144 ON	161 NOT	178 POS	195 MID\$

Listing 4 modifies listings 1 and 2 to find a string, represented by the variable A\$, in any tokenized text line. A\$ can therefore be a variable name, constant, line reference, or literal in a print statement, data statement, string computation or remark. The variable B\$ here represents the tokenized text, and is built byte by byte in line 60130. If the contents of A\$ resides anywhere within B\$, then sooner or later A\$ will equal the rightmost L characters of B\$, where L represents the length of A\$. When this match occurs, line 60160 prints the line number of the current line represented by B\$. The previous unconditional print of each byte and line number has been replaced, and B\$ is cleared in line 60520 whenever a new line number is decoded.

If you have entered listings 1 through 4 in sequence, then listing 5 adds the capability of converting a keyword to its token by searching the dictionary, and finding all references to the token. Line 61070 converts the numeric token TK to a 1-byte string A\$, and then uses the string search routine of listing 4 to locate matches for A\$.

As is, the cross-reference generator will now find all that you seek, but it finds a few extra items as well. As an example, direct the program to examine its own text for references to the numeral 7. It prints the line numbers in which the constants 75, 768, and 127 as well as line reference 60070 appear. Ask it to find references to the numeric

variable A (there are none), and it prints references to A\$. If references to T are sought, two of the input prompts and one of the remark literals are found, as well as all references to T and TK. Some fine tuning is definitely in order to eliminate, or at least cut down on, the unwanted reference reports.

The problem of distinguishing a constant from a line reference is very complex, partly because line references can be surrounded by commas in an ON/GOTO or ON/GOSUB context, while constants can also be surrounded by commas in a multiple-argument function or command. In my programs, I've found line references to be far more common than constants, and far more likely to end with the numeral 0. I have seen other cross-reference generators which can do the job, but they are larger than this one and not as versatile. Since our purpose is compactness, versatility is useful, and since the chances of confusion appear to be minimal, I can live with the constant/line reference problem.

The problem of distinguishing subscripted, string and numeric variables is much easier to solve. If references to a numeric variable are sought, the program should reject any it finds which are followed by either a { or a \$. If references to a string variable are sought, the program should ignore any followed by a { character. These suffix rejection rules for numeric and string variables suggest that we can eliminate erroneous references embedded in larger strings (illustrated above by the searches for 7 and T) by implementing a set of suffix and prefix rejection rules.

The prefix rule for all strings is rejection of references preceded by a numeric or upper-case alphabetic character. The suffix rule for constants, line references and numeric variables is as stated above for numeric variables, with the additional rejection of numeric and upper-case alphabetic suffixes.

Listing 6 incorporates these rules into the cross-reference generator, utilizing three defined Boolean functions in a single IF/GOTO statement. The functions are defined in lines 60005 through 60007. The argument in

#### Listing 6

```
60005 DEFFNA(X)=(X>47ANDX<58)OR(X>64ANDX<91)
60006 DEFFNB(X)=X<>36ANDX<>40
60007 DEFFNC(X)=NOTFNB(X)ORFNA(X)
60070 L=LEN(A$):B$="":A=ASC(A$)
60080 IFA>127GOTO60100
60090 B=ASC(RIGHT$(A$,1))
60135 IFA>127GOTO60160
60140 IFA<>RIGHT$(B$,L)GOTO60170
60145 Y=PEEK(I+1):IFLEN(B$)>LTHENW=ASC(RIGHT$(B$,L+1))
60150 IFFNA(W)OR(B=36ANDY=40)OR(FNB(B)ANDFNC(Y))GOTO60170
60535 W=0
```

## (LABEL), Y (LABEL,X) LABEL + INDX-1

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each is the ASCII value of a character. FNA returns a true value if the character is numeric or upper-case alpha. FNB returns true if the character is neither { nor \$. FNC, utilizing FNA and FNB in its definition, returns true if the character is either numeric, upper-case alpha, { or \$.

Line 60070 is modified to set new variable A equal to the ASCII value of the first byte of A\$. Lines 60080 and 60135 skip over the rules implementation if A indicates that A\$ represents a token. Line 60090 sets new variable B equal to the ASCII value of the last byte of B\$, to decide later if the string to be found is a subscripted or string variable.

Since the program doesn't need the rules unless a potential reference is located, line 60140 jumps past the rules until that condition is met. In line 60145, Y is the ASCII value for the reference suffix and, if the reference is not the first item in the text line, then W is the ASCII value of the reference prefix. Line 60535 sets W to zero whenever a new line number is decoded.

Line 60150 skips the line number printing statement if any of the prefix or suffix rejection rules are met when a potential reference is found. This is one easy way to read the line:

IF the prefix W in the text is numeric or upper-case alpha,  
OR the item sought ends with a \$ and the text suffix is a {,  
OR the item ends with neither { nor \$ and the text suffix is either numeric, upper-case alpha, \$ or {,  
GOTO 60170.

The first clause implements the prefix rule, the second the string variable suffix rule, and the third the suffix rule for numeric variables, constants, and line references.

Listing 7 is the result of all these developments. It does indeed run in less than 1K of RAM, with about 200 bytes to spare for a few instructions inserted between lines 60010 and 60030, if desired. That might be a good place to remind yourself that the symbols +, -, \*, /, ^, >, =, and < are treated as keywords, not strings. (See table 2.)

## Listing 7

```
0 GOTO60000
60000 REM XREFGEN
60002 CLEAR
60005 DEFFNA(X)=(X>47ANDX<58)OR(X>64ANDX<91)
60006 DEFFNB(X)=X<>36ANDX<>40
60007 DEFFNC(X)=NOTFNB(X)ORFNA(X)
60010 T=PEEK(123)+256*PEEK(124)
60030 INPUT"KEYWORD OR STRING";A$:PRINT
60035 Y=FRE(1)
60040 IFASC(A$)=75GOTO61000
60050 INPUT"WHICH STRING";A$:PRINT
60070 L=LEN(A$):B$="":A=ASC(A$)
60080 IFA>127GOTO60100
60090 B=ASC(RIGHT$(A$,1))
60100 FORI=768TOT
60110 X=PEEK(I)
60120 IFX=0GOTO60500
60130 B$=B$+CHR$(X)
60135 IFA>127GOTO60160
60140 IFA$<>RIGHT$(B$,L)GOTO60170
60145 Y=PEEK(I+1):IFLEN(B$)>LTHENW=ASC(RIGHT$(B$,L+1))
60150 IFFNA(W)OR(B=36ANDY=40)OR(FNB(B)ANDFNC(Y))GOTO60170
60160 IFA$=RIGHT$(B$,L)THENPRINTLINE;
60170 NEXTI:PRINT:GOTO60030
60500 REM NEW LINE
60510 LINE=PEEK(I+3)+256*PEEK(I+4)
60515 IFLINE>59999THENPRINT:GOTO60030
60520 B$=""
60530 I=I+5
60535 W=0
60540 GOTO60110
61000 REM LOOKUP TOKEN
61005 INPUT"WHICH KEYWORD";A$:PRINT
61010 TK=127:B$=""
61015 L=LEN(A$)
61020 FORI=41092TO41314
61030 X=PEEK(I)
61040 B$=B$+CHR$(XAND127)
61050 IFX<128GOTO61100
61060 TK=TK+1
61070 IFA$=LEFT$(B$,L)THENA$=CHR$(TK):GOTO60070
61080 B$=""
61100 NEXT
61200 PRINTA$;" NOT FOUND":PRINT:GOTO60030
```

A few extra lines in listing 7 are useful options. Line 0 is simply a jump to the start of the program, so you can load it from tape on top of your main program already in RAM, and simply type RUN to begin cross referencing. Since modification of a program erases the tables of variables in upper RAM, you'll need the CLEAR statement in line 60002 only if you test your own program and then enter the cross-reference generator by typing GOTO 60000. The FRE function in line 60035 allows the garbage collection routine to conserve memory in the string storage space whenever a new A\$ is input in line 60030. Rest assured that garbage collect will not crash the system (MICRO 35:43) unless your own program uses subscripted string variables and their values are preserved by avoiding both program modification

and the CLEAR statement. Line 60515 ends the search when the program's own line numbers are reached.

You can conserve even more memory by deleting the remark statements and altering the references to those lines accordingly, as well as by combining unreferenced lines into multiple statements. Obviously, this latter step saves the four-byte header for each of the lines eliminated, and can add up to a critical saving.

Have you been wondering about the need for the next-line pointers? They are essential to BASIC's execution of branching statements. An understanding of this process will help you improve execution speed of your own programs as well as the cross-reference generator.

When a branch token such as a GOTO is executed, BASIC first translates the string of digits following the token into the low-high line number format. The speed of this operation clearly depends on the length of the string, so it always helps to utilize small line numbers, even though this may be impractical in large programs. If line references were stored in low-high format when tokenized, it would save memory and speed things up. I suspect Microsoft shares my conclusion that it is difficult to distinguish constants and line references.

Once the line number is ready, BASIC looks at each tokenized line header in turn, starting with the first program line in RAM, until a line number match is found. If the current header doesn't match, BASIC uses the next-line pointer to skip to the next header.

You can maximize the speed of this skip-compare process by minimizing the number of lines and lengthening

each line with multiple statements. You should also put your most frequently-called routines in the lowest line numbers, where BASIC will find them first, and put the initialization code in the highest line numbers, so BASIC won't have to skip through it on the way to the more important material. The cross-reference generator has a very significant execution speed problem in this regard, because not only its own initialization in lines 60000-60090, but also the entire tokenized text data base, sits below the main processing loop routine in RAM!

However, you can modify the cross-reference generator to use next-line pointers in two ways to improve execution speed. Once a reference is found in a line, there is no need to search the remaining portion of the line, so use the pointer to increment the loop variable I to the beginning of the next line. More helpful is an input specifying the range of line numbers in your program through which the cross-reference generator should search. It can use the next-line pointers to skip to the first line number you specify, and then quit

when it finds the last line number you specify. If you're looking for references to a block of code in your own program about to be moved or eliminated, you can reduce the number of searches required by adding a search for references to a specified range of line numbers. I suggest that you create a defined Boolean function of your own to help implement the rules for these extra features.

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# More Hooks into OSI BASIC

This article shows you how to add your own keywords to BASIC under OS-65D V3.2.

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In the September 1980 issue of *The Small Systems Journal* (MICRO 28:42), Ohio Scientific published a method by which the user could add his own new keywords to BASIC. As soon as I saw it, I knew I wanted to try it, and I did. It worked, but I didn't want to stop at the two keywords that OSI had provided. I wanted much more.

Unfortunately, the way OSI wrote their code involved the use of look-up tables which made adding new keywords a little cumbersome. Having the look-up tables imbedded in the code also meant a small memory overhead. I rewrote the code to use simple direct comparisons instead of comparisons and subsequent jumps from tables. This makes the code shorter, a little faster, and easier to follow.

Even though my program takes up 1K of memory, in just 2½ pages of RAM I have implemented commands for the following: screen clear, color background select, screen state select, scroll toggle, BASIC reset, disk directory printer, hex-dec and dec-hex converter, and a screen-to-printer dump. It's well worth the overhead, even on 24K systems.

To implement new keywords, OSI replaced the regular instructions in BASIC that interpreted the keyword "LET" with a JSR to the code that interpreted the new keywords. OSI used an asterisk as a character in both of their keywords. This is because when BASIC saves text, it tokenizes certain

## Trethewey Listing

```

BC00          *=$BC00
00A5#         TOKEN=$AG
00C7=         TXTPTR=$C7
BC00 A001     LDY #101
BC02 B1C7     LDA (TXTPTR),Y
BC04 C9A5     CMP #TOKEN
BC06 D023     BNE BACK
BC08 8B       DEY
BC09 B1C7     LDA (TXTPTR),Y
:
: NOW HD TO APPROPRIATE CODE
:
BC0B C943     CMP #C
BC0D F038     BEQ CCODE
BC0F C942     CMP #B
BC11 F04E     BEQ PCODE
BC13 C953     CMP #S
BC15 F058     BEQ SCODE
BC17 C951     CMP #O
BC19 F05F     BEQ QCODE
BC1B C952     CMP #R
BC1D F06C     BEQ RCODE
BC1F C944     CMP #D
BC21 F07A     BEQ DCODE
BC23 C94B     CMP #H
BC25 F00C     BEQ HCODE
BC27 C950     CMP #P
BC29 F06B     BEQ FCODE
:
: RETURN TO BASIC AND CONTINUE
:
BC2B 202E0F   BACK JSR 40F2E
BC2E 8596     STA 496
BC30 8497     STY 497
BC32 60       RTS
:
: JUMPS TO CODE BEYOND PAGE BOUNDARIES
:
BC33 405EBD   HCODE JMP H0
BC36 4059BE   PCODE JMP P1
:
: RESETS POINTERS AND RETURNS TO BASIC
:
BC39 A5C7     UPDATE LDA TXTPTR
BC3B 1B       CLC
BC3D 6902     ADC #102
BC3E 85C7     STA TXTPTR
BC40 9002     BCC UP1
BC42 E6C8     INC TXTPTR+1
BC44 6B       UP1  PLA
BC45 6B       PLA
BC46 60       RTS
:
: ROUTINE TO CLEAR SCREEN
:
BC47 A920     CCODE LDA #0
BC49 A208     LDX #108
BC4B A900     LDY #100
BC4D 9900D0   C1  STA $D000,Y
BC50 CB       INY
BC51 D0FA     BNE C1
BC53 EE4FBC   INC C1+2
BC56 CA       DEX
BC57 D0F4     BNE C1
BC59 A9D0     LDA #100
:
: LOAD ASCII BLANK
: LOAD PAGE COUNTER
: INIT POINTER
: SAVE TO SCREEN
: BUMP POINTER
: LOOP FOR PAGE
: BUMP PAGE ADDRESS
: DECREMENT PAGE COUNT
: LOOP 'TIL DONE
: RESET PAGE ADDRESS
    
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words and characters into one byte. The asterisk, which is the operator symbol for multiplication, is one of those characters. This way, the BASIC interpreter can't confuse your new keyword with a variable name. This may be overly cautious since we hook into BASIC at "LET" — one of the last things to be interpreted. If you use reasonable caution, you should be able to choose your own keywords freely. (Note that "LET" is still valid.)

Before we are able to use the new keywords, we must do a little house-keeping in the interpreter. The following is what you will need to incorporate into your BEXEC\* in order to use the hooks (I have used OSI's code):

```
10 POKE 133, ADRH-1
20 FOR N=2470 TO 2476: READ
  A: POKE N,A: NEXT
30 DATA 32,ADRL,ADRH,234,
  234,234,234
40 DISK! "CA ADDR=TT,S"
```

ADRH and ADRL are the high and low bytes of the address where your hooks reside in memory. ADDR is the hex address of the same. TT is the track number and S is the sector where you have saved the books' code on disk. The POKE to 133 protects your hooks from getting overwritten by BASIC strings.

I have a 48K system, so ADRH=188 and my code resides at \$BC00. 24K systems may want to use ADRH=92 and \$5C00. My system has 8-inch disks so I put my hooks on track 8, sector 5, which is unused. (Note: OS-65D V3.3 users will have to put their codes elsewhere.)

Another option is to alter BASIC permanently on disk to eliminate lines 20 and 30. After you have done the POKes from these lines, just enter the following command: DISK! "SA 02,1=0200/B" for 8-inch systems. On minis, just change the last "B" to an "8". This will save the adjustments to BASIC and you can eliminate the code in your BEXEC\*. Also, if you have enabled LIST, NEW, and <CTRL> 'C', these commands will be enabled whenever you invoke BASIC. While writing this code, I was constantly going from the assembler to BASIC. Not having to do those POKes was very convenient.

The commands I have added are very simple to use: "C\*" clears the screen, "B\*x" changes the background

#### Trethewey Listing (Continued)

```
BC5B 8D4FBC STA C1+2
BC5E 4C39BC JMP UPDATE ; RETURN TO BASIC
;
; ROUTINE TO SET BACKGROUND COLOR
;
BC61 A9E0 BCODE LDA #*E0 ; LOAD CLR PAGE #
BC63 8D4FBC STA C1+2 ; SAVE IN CCODE
BC66 A002 LDY #*02
BC6B B1C7 LDA (TXTPTR),Y ; FETCH COLOR #
BC6A E6C7 INC TXTPTR ; ADJUST BASIC
BC6C 4C49BC JMP CCODE+2 ; AND ENTER CCODE
;
; ROUTINE TO TOGGLE SCREEN SCROLL
;
BC6F AD2A26 SCODE LDA $262A ; TOGGLES SCROLL
BC72 4940 EOR #*40 ; ON AND OFF
BC74 8C2A26 STA $262A
BC77 4C39BC JMP UPDATE
;
; ROUTINE TO SET DISPLAY STATE
;
BC7A A002 BCODE LDY #*02
BC7C B1C7 LDA (TXTPTR),Y ; FETCH NUMBER
BC7E 8D00DE STA $DE00 ; SEND IT
BC81 A5C7 LDA TXTPTR ; AND ADJUST BASIC
BC83 1B CLC
BC84 6903 ADC #*03
BC86 85C7 STA TXTPTR
BC8B 4C44BC JMP UP1
;
; ROUTINE TO RESET NEW, LIST, AND <CTRL> C
;
BC8B A94C RCODE LDA #76 ; THESE ARE THE NUMBER
BC8D 8CE502 STA 741 ; YOU'RE USED TO
BC90 A94E LDA #78 ; SEEING
BC92 8DEE02 STA 750
BC95 A9AD LDA #173
BC97 8D190B STA 2073
BC9A 4C39BC JMP UPDATE ; GO BACK TO BASIC
;
; ROUTINE TO PRINT DISK DIRECTORY
;
265E= SCOTN=$265E
265F= PAGES=$265F
2660= ADRLX=$2660
2661= ADRHX=$2661
2662= TRAKX=$2662
26A6= SEEKX=$26A6
2754= LOAD=$2754
2761= UNLOAD=$2761
295D= CALLX=$295D
2D6A= CRLF=$2D6A
2CF7= SWAP=$2CF7
2D92= PRBYTE=$2D92
2343= CHROUT=$2343
2D73= STROUT=$2D73
2E79= DIRBUF=$2E79
BC90 20F72C DCODE JSR SWAP
BCA0 20A9BC JSR D
BCA3 20F72C JSR SWAP
BCA6 4C39BC JMP UPDATE ; RETURN TO BASIC
;
; NOTE: BY CHANGING THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS
; IN THE OS, THE "C*" COMMAND WILL ALSO BE
; AVAILABLE FROM THE OS KERNEL.
; CHANGE AS FOLLOWS:
; $2E3D=$2A, $2E3E=$AB, $2E3F=$BC
;
BCA9 20732D 0 JSR STROUT ; PRINT MESSAGE
BCAC 2A .BYTE " * DIRECTORY *", $D, $A, $A, 0
BCAD 20
BCAE 44
BCAF 49
BCB0 52
BCB1 45
BCB2 43
BCB3 54
BCB4 4F
BCB5 52
BCB6 59
BCB7 20
BCB8 2A
BCB9 0D
BCBA 0A
BCBB 0A
BCBC 00
```

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BCD0 A901      LDA #001      : LOAD SECTOR NUMBER
BCD1 8D83BE    STA COUNT1    : SAVE IT
BCD2 20D2BC    JSR DIRIN     : READ IN SECTOR
BCD3 20F4BC    JSR D1        : PRINT OUT CONTENTS
BCD4 EEB3BE    INC COUNT     : BUMP SECTOR NUMBER
BCD5 20D2BC    JSR DIRIN     : REPEAT PROCESS
BCD6 20F4BC    JSR D1        : FOR 2ND SECTOR
BCD7 60        RTS
;
; ROUTINE TO READ IN A SECTOR OF DIRTK
;
BCD8 A979      DIRIN LDA #479 : LOAD LOW BYTE
BCD9 8D6026    STA ADRLX     : SAVE IT
BCDA A92E      LDA #12E     : LOAD HIGH BYTE
BCDB 8D6126    STA ADHXX     : SAVE IT TOO
BCDC ADB3BE    LDA COUNT     : LOAD SECTOR # TO RE
BCDD 8D5E26    STA SCTN     : SAVE IT
BCDE A908      LDA #408     : LOAD DIR TK #
BCDF 8D6226    STA TRAKX    : SAVE IT
BCD0 20A626    JSR SEEKX    : MOVE HEAD TO TRACK
BCD1 205427    JSR LOAD     : LOAD HEAD
BCD2 205D29    JSR CALLX    : READ SECTOR
BCD3 206127    JSR UNLOAD   : UNLOAD HEAD
BCD4 60        RTS         : AND GO BACK
;
; ROUTINE TO PRINT CONTENTS OF DIRBUF
;
BCD5 A000      DI LDY #000    : INIZ POINTERS
BCD6 BCE2BE    STY FIFTH
BCD7 A200      LDX #000
BCD8 B9792E    D2 LDA DIRBUF,Y : FETCH A BYTE
BCD9 E006      CPX #006     : IS IT START TK #7
BCDA F01A      BEQ TK1     : YES! PRINT IT
BCDB E007      CPX #007     : END TRACK # ?
BCDC F021      BEQ TK2     : YES! PRINT IT
BCDD C923      CMP #7       : IS ENTRY A NULL?
BCDE F008      BEQ D0       : YES! SKIP IT
BCDF 204323    JSR CHROUT   : NO! PRINT IT
BCD0 EB        D3 INX       : BUMP ENTRY COUNTER
BCD1 C8        D4 INY       : BUMP BUFFER POINTER
BCD2 D0EA      BNE D2       : LOOP 'TIL DONE
BCD3 88        DEY
BCD4 98        D0 TYA       : X-FER POINTER
BCD5 18        CLC         : TO ACCUMULATOR
BCD6 6908      ADC #008     : BUMP TO NEXT ENTRY
BCD7 A8        TAY         : X-FER IT BACK
BCD8 B041      BCS DUIT     : BRANCH IF DONE
BCD9 4CF9BC    JMP D2-2     : LOOP IF NOT
BCDA A920      TK1 LDA #1   : LOAD BLANK
BCDB 204323    JSR CHROUT   : PRINT IT
BCDC 2053BD    JSR TKOUT    : PRINT START TK#
BCDD 4C0DBD    JMP D3       : AND LOOP
BCDE A92D      TK2 LDA #1   : LOAD "-"
BCDF 204323    JSR CHROUT   : PRINT IT
BCD0 2053BD    JSR TKOUT    : PRINT END TK#
BCD1 EEB2BE    INC FIFTH
BCD2 ADB2BE    LDA FIFTH
BCD3 C904      CMP #004
BCD4 D0DB      BNE TK3
BCD5 206A2D    JSR CRLF
BCD6 A200      LDX #000
BCD7 8EB2BE    STX FIFTH
BCD8 4C0EBD    JMP D4
BCD9 98        TK3 TYA
BCDA 48        PHA
BCDB 20732D    JSR STROUT
BCDC 20       .BYTE ' ', $00
BCDD 20
BCDE 00
BCDF A200      LDX #000
BCD0 68        PLA
BCD1 A8        TAY
BCD2 4C0EBD    JMP D4
BCD3 B9792E    TKOUT LDA DIRBUF,Y : LOAD TRACK #
BCD4 20922D    JSR PRBYTE    : PRINT IT
BCD5 60        RTS
BCD6 206A2D    QUIT JSR CRLF
BCD7 60        RTS
;
; ROUTINE TO CONVERT DECIMAL TO HEX
;
BCD8 A002      H0 LDY #002
BCD9 B1C7      LDA (TXTPTR),Y
BCDA C924      CMP #14      : HEX TO DEC ?
BCDB F068      BEQ CONV     : YES! DO HEX-DEC
BCDC A200      LDX #000     : INIZ X

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color to the ASCII value of x, "S\*" toggles the screen scrolling on and off, "Q\*x" is like POKEing 56832 with 'x' for the screen/sound select, "R\*" resets NEW, LIST, and < CTRL > 'C', "D\*" prints a directory of the disk in the currently selected drive, "H\*xxxxx" converts decimal "xxxxx" to hex, "H\*\$xxxx" converts from hex to decimal, and "P\*" dumps text from the screen to the serial printer port. These commands may be used in either the program or the immediate mode, which means they can be entered from the keyboard or embedded in your programs. The disk directory can be handy if you are trying to find where a certain program is on disk; the hex-dec converter can save a lot of headaches when writing USR(X) routines. Note that the "H\*" command doesn't expect a specific format.

In order to save room I used existing code in the operating system where possible. OS-65D V3.3 owners may want to alter the output routines to format the output of the directory a little.

My thanks to OSI for the original idea. They deserve a lot of credit for making this information available and workable on so many different systems.

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8D68	8EB1BE		STX	RESHI	:	INIZ RESHI
8D68	81C7	H1	LDA	(TXTPTR),Y	:	GET CHARACTER
8D6D	C930		CMP	##30	:	IS IT A # ?
8D6F	900F		BCC	H2	:	NO! CALCULATE
8D71	38		SEC			
8D72	E930		SBC	##30	:	STRIP OFF ASCII
8D74	9DB5BE		STA	INBUF,X	:	SAVE IT
8D77	C8		INY			
8D78	E8		INX		:	BUMP POINTERS
8D79	E006		CPX	##06	:	TOD MANY DIGITS?
8D7B	F003		BEQ	H2	:	CALCULATE ANYWAY
8D7D	4C68BD		JMP	H1	:	NO! ==> LOOP
8D80	98	H2	TYA			
8D81	18		CLC			
8D82	65C7		ADC	TXTPTR	:	UPDATE BASIC
8D84	85C7		STA	TXTPTR	:	RUMP X BACK 1
8D86	CA		DEX		:	GET ONES
8D87	8DB5BE		LDA	INBUF,X	:	ALWAYS SAVE IT
8D8A	8DB0BE		STA	RESLO	:	SINGLE DIGIT ?
8D8D	E000		CPX	##00	:	YES! PRINT!
8D8F	F029		BEQ	PRINT	:	SET POINTER TO TABS
8D91	A003		LDY	##03	:	BUMP X BACK ONE
8D93	CA		DEX		:	SAVE X
8D94	8E83BE	H3	STX	COUNT	:	GET NUMBER
8D97	8DB5BE		LDA	INBUF,X		
8D9A	F01A		BEQ	H5		
8D9C	AA		TAX		:	X-FER FOR COUNTER
8D9D	ADB0BE	H4	LDA	RESLO	:	LOAD LOW BYTE
8DA0	18		CLC			
8DA1	79ABBE		ADC	TBL1,Y	:	ADD FROM TABLE
8DA4	8DB0BE		STA	RESLO	:	SAVE IT
8DA7	ADB1BE		LDA	RESHI	:	LOAD HIGH BYTE
8DAA	79ACBE		ADC	TBL2,Y	:	ADD FROM TABLE
8DAD	8DB1BE		STA	RESHI	:	SAVE IT
8DB0	CA		DEX		:	DECREMENT COUNTER
8DB1	DOEA		BNE	H4	:	LOOP TIL DONE
8DB3	AE83BE		LDX	COUNT	:	FETCH # OF DIGITS
8DB6	88	H5	DEY			
8DB7	CA		DEX		:	BUMP DIGIT COUNTER
8DB8	10DA		BPL	H3	:	LOOP 'TIL DONE
8DBA	ADB1BE		PRINT	LDA RESHI	:	FETCH HIGH BYTE
8DBD	F003		BEQ	PRIO	:	IF 0 SKIP IT
8DBF	20922D		JSR	PRBYTE	:	NON-0. SO PRINT IT
8DC2	ADB0BE	PR10	LDA	RESLO	:	FETCH LOW BYTE
8DC5	20922D		JSR	PRBYTE	:	PRINT IT
8DC8	206A2D		JSR	CRLF	:	DO A <CR> <LF>
8DCB	4C44BC		JMP	UP1	:	RETURN TO BASIC
					:	
					:	ROUTINE TO CONVERT HEX TO DECIMAL
					:	
8DCE	C8	CONV	INY		:	BUMP POINTER 1
8DCF	A200		LDX	##00	:	INIZ COUNTER
8DD1	8EB2BE		STX	FIFTH		
8DD4	8EB1BE		STX	RESHI		
8DD7	81C7	H10	LDA	(TXTPTR),Y	:	FETCH CHARACTER
8DD9	C930		CMP	##0	:	IS IT A NUMBER?
8DDH	9011		BCC	H12	:	NO! CALCULATE
8DDD	38		SEC			
8DDE	F930		SBC	##0	:	STRIP OFF ASCII
8DE0	C90A		CMP	##0A		
8DE2	9002		BCC	H11		
8DE4	E907		SBC	##07		
8DE6	9DB5BE	H11	STA	INBUF,X	:	SAVE VALUE
8DE9	E8		INX		:	BUMP COUNTERS
8DEA	C8		INY			
8DEB	4CD7BD		JMP	H10	:	AND LOOP
8DEE	CA	H12	DEX		:	BUMP BACK ONE
8DEF	98		TYA		:	X-FER # OF CHARS
8DF0	18		CLC			
8DF1	65C7		ADC	TXTPTR	:	AND UPDATE BASIC
8DF3	85C7		STA	TXTPTR	:	
8DF5	8DB5BE		LDA	INBUF,X	:	LOAD ONE'S VALUE
8DF8	C90A		CMP	##0A	:	ADJUST FOR HEX
8DFA	3006		BMI	H30		
8DFC	38		SEC			
8DFD	E90A		SBC	##0A		
8DFF	18		CLC			
8E00	6910		ADC	##10		
8E02	8DB0BE	H30	STA	RESLO	:	ALWAYS SAVE IT
8E05	E000		CPX	##00	:	ARE WE DONE?
8E07	F021		BEQ	PR	:	YES! BRANCH
8E09	CA		DEX		:	NO. BUMP COUNTER
8E0A	A000		LDY	##00	:	INIZ COUNTER
8E0C	8EB4BE		STX	POINT		
8E0F	AE84BE	H13	LDX	POINT	:	FETCH POINTER
8E12	8DB5BE		LDA	INBUF,X	:	GET CHAR FROM BUFFER

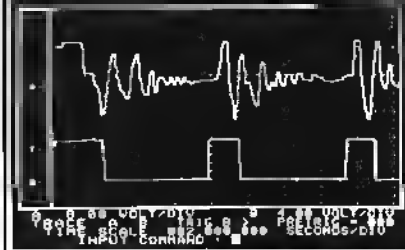
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BE15 F007      BEQ H15      ; IF ZERO, SKIP IT
BE17 AA        TAX
BE18 2038BE H14 JSR ADD      ; DO ADDUF ROUTINE
BE18 CA        DEX
BE1C D0FA      SNE H14
BE1E AD84BE H15 LDA POINT
BE21 F007      BEQ PR       ; BRANCH WHEN DONE
BE23 CE84BE    DEC POINT    ; BUMP COUNTERS
BE26 C8        INY
BE27 4C0FBE    JMP H13      ; AND LOOP
BE2A AD82BE PR LDA FIFTH    ; FETCH 5TH DIGIT
BE2D F006      BEQ PR1     ; SKIP IF ZERO
BE2F 18        CLC
BE30 6930      ADC #30      ; ADJUST TO ASCII
BE32 204323    JSR CHROUT   ; AND PRINT IT
BE35 4C8ABD PR1 JMP PRINT   ; FINISH ELSEWHERE
BE38 F8        ADD SED      ; WE'RE USING BCD HER
BE39 AD80BE    LDA RESLO    ; FETCH LOW BYTE
BE3C 18        CLC
BE3D 79A2BE    ADC L0TBL,Y  ; ADD FROM TABLE
BE40 8D80BE    STA RESLO    ; SAVE RESULT
BE43 9003      BCC ADD1     ; ADJUST FOR OVRFLD
BE45 EEB1BE    INC RESHI
BE48 AD81BE ADD1 LDA RESHI  ; FETCH HIGH BYTE
BE4B 18        CLC          ; AND CONTINUE AS
BE4C 79A3BE    ADC HITBL,Y  ; BEFORE
BE4F 8DB1BE    STA RESHI
BE52 9003      BCC ADD2
BE54 EEB2BE    INC FIFTH
BE57 D8        ADD2 CLD      ; RESET BCD FLAG
BE58 60        RTS          ; AND GO BACK
                                ; ROUTINE TO DUMP SCREEN TO PRINTER
OOF1=          LOC=#F1
BE59 A901 P1   LDA #01      ; LOAD PRINTER DEVICE
BE5B 8D2223    STA B994     ; SAVE IN OUTPUT FLAG
BE5E A900      LDA #00      ; INIZ LOC TO SCREEN
BE60 85F1      STA LOC      ; ADDRESS
BE62 A9D0      LDA #D0
BE64 85F2      STA LOC+1
BE66 A000      LDY #000
BE68 81F1 P2   LDA (LOC),Y  ; INIZ POINTER
BE6A C920      CLM #*       ; FETCH CHARACTER
BE6C 1005      BPL P3       ; CHECK FOR GRAPHICS
BE6E A920      LDA #*       ; CHARACTERS
BE70 4C7ABE    JMP P5       ; AND PRINT A BLANK
BE73 18 P3     CLC          ; INSTEAD
BE74 C97F      CMP #*7F
BE76 3002      BMI P5
BE78 A920      LDA #*
BE7A 204323 P5 JSR CHROUT   ; PRINT!
BE7D C8        INY          ; BUMP POINTERS
BE7E C040      CPY #*40
BE80 D0E6      BNE P2
BE82 A000      LDY #*00
BE84 A5F1      LDA LOC
BE86 18        CLC
BE87 6940      ADC #*40
BE89 85F1      STA LOC
BE8B A5F2      LDA LOC+1
BE8D 6900      ADC #0
BE8F 85F2      STA LOC+1
BE91 206A2D    JSR CRLF     ; END OF LINE
BE94 A5F2      LDA LOC+1
BE96 C9D8      CMP #*D8
BE98 D0CE      BNE P2
BE9A A902      LDA #*02
BE9C 8D2223    STA B994     ; RESTORE OUTFLAG
BE9F 4C398C    JMP UPDATE   ; AND GO BACK
BEA2 16        L0TBL .BYTE $16,$36,$96
BEA3 56
BEA4 96
BEA5 00        HITBL .BYTE $00,$02,$40
BEA6 02
BEA7 40
BEA8 10        TBL1 .BYTE $10,$E8,$64,$0A
BEA9 EB
BEAA 64
BEAB 0A
BEAC 27        TBL2 .BYTE $27,$03,$00,$00
BEAD 03
BEAE 00
BEAF 00
BE80 00        RESLO .BYTE $00
BE81 00        RESHI .BYTE $00
BE82 00        FIFTH .BYTE $00
BE83 00        COUNT .BYTE $00
BE84 00        POINT .BYTE $00
BE85=          INBUF=*

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## Microbes and Updates

Roland E. Guilbault of Atkinson, New Hampshire, sent this note:

"Sorting" by William R. Reese (MICRO 39:29) is just what I needed to implement a record cataloging program that I am designing. Although the article is good, the listings have many typographical errors. The corrected lines follow:

### LOAD SINGLE.SORT1

```
105 V$(I) = "4": FOR J = 1 TO 8:
V$(I) = V$(I) + STR$(INT(10 *
RND(1))): NEXT J
112 REM SORT START HERE
115 V$(N + 1) = "999999999":
SS%(N + 1) = N + 1
180 Q = SK(ST):P = SK(ST - 1)
200 FOR I = 0 TO N: PRINT I; TAB(5);
SS%(I); TAB(10); V$(SS%(I)):
NEXT
1145 VI = SS%(P):VH$ = V$(VI):I =
P:J = K
```

### LOAD DOUBLE.SORT

```
105 W$(I) = "4": FOR J = 1 TO
8:W$(I) = W$(I) + STR$(INT(10
* RND(1))): NEXT J
130 IF P >= 0 THEN 170
200 FOR I = 0 TO N: PRINT I; TAB(5);
SS%(I); TAB(10); V$(SS%(I)); TAB(
20); W$(SS%(I)): NEXT
1160 J = J - 1: IF V$(SS%(J)) < VH$
THEN 1170
1161 IF V$(SS%(J)) > VH$ GOTO 1160
1162 IF W$(SS%(J)) <= W$(VI)
GOTO 1170
1171 IF V$(SS%(I)) < VH$ GOTO 1170
1190 GA = SS%(I):GB = SS%(J)
```

The program can be optimized by changing line 1190 and 1195 to the following:

```
1190 GA = SS%(I)
1195 SS%(I) = SS%(J):SS%(J) = GA
: GOTO 1160
```

Maurice Bernstein of Panorama City, California, wrote in with these modifications to "Othello" by Charles F. Taylor, Jr. (42:63):

Over the past couple of years I have found very few game programs modified for use with modems. I have not seen games for modem use in computer stores. Yet it is the very use of modem communication that could add another dimension to the recreational use of the microcomputer, expanding game competition to outside the household.

I have found that the game program "Othello" by Charles F. Taylor, Jr., in the November 1981 issue of MICRO, is a good example of a competitive Lo-Res game which can be easily modified for modem use.

The additions and minor modification noted below are based on the following assumptions:

1. Both Apple II computers using this Applesoft BASIC program have DOS.
2. Both computers use a Hayes Micro-modem II with the card in slot #3, and are at the outset established in terminal-terminal half-duplex mode.
3. Both computers have the modified "Othello" program loaded in memory and the players have agreed who will move first.

First, each player types a CTRL A, CTRL X sequence to leave the terminal mode. Then each player types 'RUN', and when prompted, types his turn number. The players type the legal coordinates, in turn, as if running the program without a modem. At the game's end, lines 750 and 760 from the original program prompt whether or not to play again. These can be left out.

These routines could be used for other games where the controlling characters would be string expressions of paddle values (e.g., STR\$(PDL(0))). These values would transmit and then

recover the integer value on reception using the VAL command. If any random values are generated in the program, the random value as an ASCII character must come from one computer only and be transmitted to the other computer. Otherwise, you won't get synchronous graphics.

### OTHELLO by Charles F. Taylor

Modifications for modem use by Maurice Bernstein, M.D., December 1981.

#### INITIALIZE DOS COMMAND

Add line 152 D\$=CHR\$(4)

#### INDICATE TURN SEQUENCE

Add line 792 PRINT " WHICH TURN DO YOU WANT? 1 OR 2": INPUT TURNS\$: IF TURNS\$ < > "1" AND TURNS\$ < > "2" THEN HOME: GOTO 792

#### FIND WHETHER TO TRANSMIT AND IF SO GO TO SUBROUTINE

Change line 1340 IF TURN=INT(VAL(TURNS\$)) THEN GOSUB 2000: GOTO 1350

#### RECEIVE ROUTINE

Add line 1345 PRINT D\$; "PR #0"

Add line 1346 PRINT D\$; "IN #3"

Add line 1348 INPUT MOVE\$

#### TRANSMIT SUBROUTINE

Add line 2000 PRINT D\$; "IN #0"

Add line 2002 INPUT MOVE\$

Add line 2010 PRINT D\$; "PR #3"

Add line 2020 PRINT MOVE\$

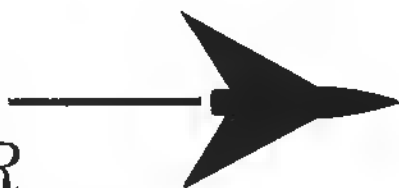
Add line 2030 PRINT D\$; "PR #0"

Add line 2040 RETURN

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# Microsoft BASIC-in-ROM Extensions

**PRINT AT and CALL functions are added to OSI BASIC-in-ROM using Ed Carlson's technique. Minor modifications may be made to apply these functions to other machines.**

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This article is primarily intended for OSI BASIC-in-ROM systems such as the C2-4P, C4P or the C1P. However, with modifications the program should be adaptable to other Microsoft 6502 BASICs, such as PET BASIC or AppleSoft. It can even be modified for use with OSI Disk BASIC.

The programs were written on an OSI C2-4P with 20K RAM, using BASIC-in-ROM and OSI's 65XX Assembler.

In the June 1980 issue of MICRO (25:15), Ed Carlson presented an article entitled "Put Your Hooks Into OSI BASIC" which explained a method of adding new commands (pseudo keywords) to OSI BASIC-in-ROM. His method consisted of altering the character parser, located in page zero, to recognize and process the additional commands. I thought Mr. Carlson's idea was excellent and searched the succeeding issues of MICRO, and other magazines, for additional articles or routines to use with his method. I never found one, so I wrote one myself.

This article adds two new pseudo keywords (PRINT AT and CALL) and fixes a minor problem I discovered in the original version. It also presents a more elegant solution to the dual keyword flag situation.

## How it Works

OSI BASIC-in-ROM, and most other Microsoft 6502 BASICs, contain a page zero resident subroutine used by all the other routines in BASIC to fetch characters, one at a time, from the BASIC statement being executed. This routine is called a character parser and is usually referred to as 'CHRGET'.

The procedure Mr. Carlson and I used alters this routine to jump to some code of our own. It will then recognize and execute the pseudo keywords.

The only tricky part is that because there are two modes of operation in BASIC, (Immediate and Run), Mr. Carlson uses two separate keyword flags to allow the pseudo keywords to be entered into the text workspace. A percent sign (%) and a pound sign (#) were chosen as the keyword flags. When entering a BASIC statement containing a pseudo keyword, you would type a percent sign, and to immediately execute one you would type a pound sign. This is somewhat awkward.

When the altered parser sees a pound sign, it executes the appropriate routine immediately. When it sees a percent sign, the parser routine changes it to a pound sign without execution, allowing the command to be placed into the text area. Then the next time the line is passed through the parser, it recognizes the pound sign and executes the pseudo keyword.

## The Problem

Since the parser changes the percent signs to pound signs, when SAVEing programs containing pseudo keywords to tape, the pound sign is the flag SAVED. So, when LOADing the program back from tape, the parser sees the pound sign and executes the pseudo keyword immediately instead of storing it in the text area.

Depending on the pseudo keyword encountered, this may cause the computer to "hang" or miss several characters or lines of your program. Luckily, there are several methods to consider for preventing this. You can:

1. always LOAD your programs before LOADing and implementing the extensions;
2. check the LOAD FLAG (\$0203) and execute pseudo keywords only when the LOAD flag is "OFF";
3. add special pseudo keywords to disable and enable the extensions;
4. add a special flag that can be set or reset from BASIC to control whether or not execution should be permitted.

Option 1 is not very practical since it would require resetting the computer and reLOADing the extensions every time you wished to run a different program.

Option 2 would work, except when the program LOADs data from tape. Any pseudo keywords between turning on and turning off LOAD not only would not execute, but would cause a syntax error.

Option 3 is a workable solution, but it would take a relatively large amount of code to implement.

This leaves Option 4 — the use of a flag — which is the method I chose. It has the advantage of requiring little extra code, and provides an easy way to enable or disable the extensions from BASIC.

By simply entering

POKE 250,1 < RETURN >

in the immediate mode, the extensions are disabled. And by entering

POKE 250,0 < RETURN >

they are enabled.

Using a flag also relieves you of the necessity of having two different keyword flags, thus saving some code and removing the awkwardness of remembering which flag to use. Now to enter pseudo keywords either from the keyboard or tape, you must first disable the extensions by POKEing the flag to '1'. To RUN a program or to do an immediate mode pseudo keyword, you must enable the extensions by POKEing the flag to zero. I usually place the appropriate POKES at the beginning and end of my programs containing pseudo keywords.

### The CALL Pseudo Keyword

The "CALL" command is identical in function to the USR(X) command, as it is used to transfer control to a machine language routine and then return to BASIC at the next statement. To use the USR function you first need to set the USR vector at 11 and 12 decimal [\$0B and \$0C] to point to the entry point of the machine language routine before performing the USR. This results in a line of code such as

POKE 11,0:POKE 12,253:X=USR(X)

To do this, you must convert the address from hex to decimal, then convert it to the standard 6502 two-byte low, high format in decimal so that it can be POKEd in BASIC.

I created the CALL command to perform all that for me. With the CALL, a hexadecimal literal, a decimal address literal, or a numeric variable containing a decimal address, can be used as the argument. (Sorry, hexadecimal addresses cannot be assigned using a string variable.)

The format for the CALL command is

#U ADDRESS

The # is the pseudo keyword flag, the U is the CALL pseudo keyword, and ADDRESS is the entry point address of the machine language routine. ADDRESS may be a decimal number such as 64783, a numeric variable name such as N, a hexadecimal literal such as \$FD00, or any valid numeric expression such as A[J+2] or 3\*J.

Note that when using the hexadecimal notation option, the address must be preceded by a dollar sign (\$).

#### Listing 1: CALL Command Examples

100 REM	CALL COMMAND EXAMPLES
110 :	
120 POKE 250,0	: REM ENABLE EXTENSIONS
130 :	
140 X=64768:X(1)=X:X(2)=X-768	
150 :	
160 #U \$FD00	: REM - HEXADECIMAL LITERAL
170 #U 64768	: REM - DECIMAL LITERAL
180 #U X	: REM - DECIMAL VARIABLE
190 #U X(1)	: REM - DECIMAL ARRAY ELEMENT
200 #U X(2)+768	: REM - DECIMAL EXPRESSION
210 :	
220 POKE 250,1 : END	

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## Listing 2: PRINT AT Command

```

300 REM PRINT AT COMMAND
310 :
320 REM INPUT AT WITH SIZE OPTION
330 :
340 CUR=CHR$(161) : REM CURSOR CHARACTER
350 PROMPT="What is your name ?" : SIZE = 30
360 :
370 POKE 250,0 : REM -- ENABLE EXTENSIONS
380 :
390 #C : REM CLEAR SCREEN
400 #P(12,5) PROMPT : REM --PRINT PROMPT
410 I=I:NAME=""
420 :
430 #P(12,25+I) CUR : REM--PRINT CURSOR CHAR
440 #U $FDOO : REM--POLL KEYBOARD
450 X=PEEK(531):X=CHR$(X) : REM--GET KEY PRESSED
460 :
470 IF X<>13 THEN 490
480 #P(12,25+I) " :GOTO 550 : REM--ERASE CURSOR
490 IF X<32 OR X>122 THEN 430 : REM IGNORE INVALID CHARS
500 :
510 #P(12,25+I) X : REM PRINT CHARACTER
520 NAME=NAME+X : REM CONCATENATE NAME
530 I=I+1 : IF I<SIZE THEN 430 : REM CHECK FOR SIZEERR0
540 :
550 NAME="HELLO THERE "+NAME+"!"
560 #P(20,5) NAME
570 :
580 POKE 250,I : END
    
```

## Listing 3

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; BASIC EXTENSIONS VER 1.3 APR 1981
;
; BY MICHAEL M. MAHONEY
;
; ADAPTED FROM 'PUT YOUR HOOKS INTO OSI BASIC'
; BY ED CARLSON IN MICRO #25:15
;
; PROCEDURE AND CLEAR SCREEN BY ED CARLSON
;
; CALL & PRINT AT COMMANDS, AND
; ENABLE/DISABLE FLAG BY MIKE MAHONEY
;
; EQUATES
;
; PARSE = $00BC ; GETCHR ROUTINE
; GETCUR = $00C2 ; ENTRY - GET CURRENT CHAR
; POINTR = $00C3 ; CODE POINTER FOR PARSE
;
; PAGE ZERO LOCATIONS USED BY EXTENSIONS
;
; ROLBYT = $E7 ; USED FOR BIN CONVERS
; D.FLAG = $FA ; DIBABLE FLAG (250 DECIMAL)
; TEMP2 = $FC
; TEMPI = $FE
;
; BASIC ROUTINES AND POINTERS
;
; VARTYP = $5F ; VAR TYPE FLAG (>$7F = STRING
; STRPTR = $71 ; BASIC STRING PTR
; ERRPTR = $A256 ; PRINT ERROR MESSAGE
; EXPR.1 = $AAAD ; EVAL EXPRESS WITH TM CHECK
; EXPR.2 = $AAC1 ; EVAL EXPRESS - NO TM CHECK
; RPAREN = $ABFB ; SN ERR IF NOT ')'
; LPAREN = $ABFE ; SN ERR IF NOT '('
; COMMA = $AC01 ; SN ERR IF NOT ','
; SETSTR = $B0AE ; SCAN & SETUP STRING
; SETPTR = $B2B6 ; GET PTRS AND LEN OF STRING
; EXPR.8 = $B3AE ; B BIT EXPREBB EVALUATION
; FIX = $B40B ; CONVERT FL ACC TO FIXED
; FP.STR = $B96E ; CONVERT FL ACCUN TO STRING
;
; LEGAL = $FE93 ; CHK FOR LEGAL ASCII HEX
;
    
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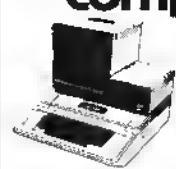
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Otherwise the CALL routine will evaluate the address as either a numeric literal or variable, or report a syntax error. Also, the hex address must be four valid ASCII hex characters, so remember to pad with leading zeros when necessary. Otherwise you'll get a syntax error.

Listing 1 gives some examples of valid CALL command formats.

## The PRINT AT Pseudo Keyword

"PRINT AT" allows you to specify exactly where on the screen to print any single value, without disturbing other areas, and without scrolling the screen. This is highly desirable, especially in any type of data processing input procedure, since formatted screens are possible. In games you can use PRINT AT to maneuver pre-defined figures around the screen easily and rapidly. Or, coupled with the CALL command, an INPUT AT with size option can be simulated as in listing 2.

The format for the PRINT AT command is

#P (L,C) VALUE

#P is the PRINT AT pseudo keyword, L is the line number of the screen (0 to 31), C is the column number (0 to 63), and VALUE is the value to print.

Both L and C may be numeric literals, numeric variables, or any valid numeric expression, within the specified ranges for each. VALUE may be any single numeric literal, string literal, numeric variable, string variable or valid numeric or string expression. Parentheses must surround the line and column specifications, and they must be separated by a comma. All spaces shown are optional; there may be more if desired.

Listing 2 shows examples of a number of valid PRINT AT formats as they might appear in a program.

## The Program

The assembly language program is shown in listing 3. I'd like to point out that in addition to the PRINT AT and CALL discussed here, there is also a "CLEAR SCREEN" command (#C) available. Also, please note that I have

## Listing 3 (Continued)

```

* = *1ED0
;
;
; ALTERS THE PARSER TO JUMP TO
; THE NEW ROUTINE
;
ENTRY LDA #04C ; 'JMP'
      STA PARSER
      STA #00FB ; FDR 'CALL'
      LDA #STARLD ; ADDR LD OF NEW RTNE
      STA PARSER+1
      LDA #STARHI ; ADDR HI OF NEW RTNE
      STA PARSER+2
      LDA #0EA ; 'NOP'
      STA PARSER+3
      STA PARSER+4
      STA PARSER+5

;
; LDA #000
; STA D.FLAG
;
; RTB ; BACK TO BASIC
;
; MAIN ROUTINE
;
START INC PDINTR ; INCREMENT CODE PDINTER
      BNE MAIN.1
      INC PDINTR+1
;
MAIN.1 LDA D.FLAG ; EXTENSIONS DISABLED?
      BNE MAIN.X ; YES SO SKIP CHECK
;
      LDY #000
      LDA (PDINTR),Y ; GET CHARACTER
      CMP #'* ; IS IT A POUND SIGN?
      BEQ EXTEND
;
MAIN.X JMP DETCUR ; BACK TO PARSER
;
STARHI = START/256
TMP = STARHI*256
STARLD = START-TMP
;
; PSEUDO-KEYWORD DECDIND
;
;
EXTEND JSR PARSER ; GET NEXT CHAR
      LDY #000
      LDX #0FF
X.LDDP INX
      LDA EXTBL,X ; GET PSEUDO-KEYWORD
      BEQ MAIN.X ; END TBL SO EXIT
      CMP (PDINTR),Y ; CMP TO CHAR IN STMT
      BNE X.LDDP ; CHECK NEXT KEYWORD
;
; FOUND A MATCH SO GET ADDR
;
      LDA ADRLD,X ; TRANSFER ADDRESS OF
      STA TEMP2 ; DF KEYWORD RTNE
      LDA ADRLD,X ; TO PD ZERO LOCATION
      STA TEMP2+1 ; FOR JUMP
;
      JMP (TEMP2) ; GOTO KEYWORD RTNE
;
; PSEUDO-KEYWORD AND ADDRESS TABLES
;
; VALID SINGLE CHAR 'KEYWORDS'
; END TABLE WITH NULL (000)
;
EXTBL .BYTE 'CPU',000
;
; HIGH BYTE OF ROUTINE'S ENTRY ADDRESS
; END WITH NULL (000)
;
ADRLD .BYTE C.HI,P.HI,U.HI
;
; .BYTE 000
;
; LOW BYTE OF ROUTINE'S ADDRESS
; END WITH NULL (000)
;
ADRLD .BYTE C.LO,P.LO,U.LO

```

# Listing 3 (Continued)

```

1230 1F28 AB
1240 1F29 00
1250 1F2A
1260 1F2A ; SCREEN CLEAR ROUTINE
1270 1F2A
1280 1F2A A208 C.RTNE LDX #00B ; # PAGES (#04 FOR C1P)
1290 1F2C A9D0 LDA #0D0 ; SET POINTER TO START
1300 1F2E B5FD STA TEMP2+1 ; OF SCREEN
1310 1F30 A000 LDY #000
1320 1F32 B4FC STY TEMP2
1330 1F34 A920 LDA #20 ; SPACE CHARACTER
1340 1F36 91FC C.LOOP STA (TEMP2),Y ; BLANK LOC ON SCREEN
1350 1F38 CB INY
1360 1F39 D0FB BNE C.LOOP
1370 1F3B E6FD INC TEMP2+1
1380 1F3D CA DEX
1390 1F3E D0F6 BNE C.LOOP ; CHECK IF DONE
1400 1F40
1410 1F40 4C8C00 JMP PARBER ; BACK TO BASIC
1420 1F43
1430 1F43 C.H1 = C.RTNE/256
1440 1F43 TMP = C.H1*256
1450 1F43 C.LO = C.RTNE-TMP
1460 1F43
1470 1F43 ; PRINT AT ROUTINE
1480 1F43
1490 1F43 A9D0 P.RTNE LDA #0D0 ; SET UP PTR TO LINE #0
1500 1F45 B5FD STA TEMP2+1 ; $D000
1510 1F47 A900 LDA #000
1520 1F49 B5FC STA TEMP2
1530 1F4B
1540 1F4B 208C00 JSR PARBER ; GET NEXT CHAR
1550 1F4E 20FEAB JSR LPAREN ; CHECK FOR OPEN PAREN
1560 1F51 20AEB3 JSR EXPR.B ; GET 8 BIT ARG IN X
1570 1F54 E020 CPX #20 ; CHECK LINE # <=31
1580 1F56 B018 BCS FN.ERR ; NO- SO CAUSE FN ERROR
1590 1F58
1600 1F58 EB INX
1610 1F59 CA INCLIN DEX ; INCREMENT PTR TO START
1620 1F5A F00D BEQ GETCOL ; OF CORRECT LINE
1630 1F5C 18 CLC
1640 1F5D A940 LDA #40 ; LINE SIZE (#20 FOR C1P)
1650 1F5F 65FC ADC TEMP2
1660 1F61 B5FC STA TEMP2 ; INCREMENT PTR BY ONE LINE
1670 1F63 90F4 BCC INCLIN
1680 1F65 E6FD INC TEMP2+1
1690 1F67 D0F0 BNE INCLIN ; FORCED BRANCH
1700 1F69
1710 1F69 2001AC GETCOL JSR COMMA ; CHECK FOR COMMA
1720 1F6C 20AEB3 JSR EXPR.B ; GET 8 BIT ARG IN X
1730 1F6F E040 CPX #40 ; CHECK COL <=63 (#20 FOR C1P)
1740 1F71 9005 BCC COLOK ; IT'S OK
1750 1F73
1760 1F73 A208 FN.ERR LDX #00B ; FN MESSAGE OFFSET
1770 1F75 4C56A2 JMP ERRPRT ; ERROR PRINTER
1780 1F78
1790 1F78 BA COLOK TXA
1800 1F79 18 CLC
1810 1F7A 65FC ADC TEMP2 ; ADD COLUMN TO PTR
1820 1F7C B5FC STA TEMP2
1830 1F7E 9002 BCC GETARG
1840 1F80 E6FD INC TEMP2+1
1850 1F82
1860 1F82 20FBAB GETARG JSR RPAREN ; CHECK FOR CLOSE PAREN
1870 1F85
1880 1F85 ; NOW GET VALUE TO PRINT
1890 1F85
1900 1F85 20C1AA VARNAM JSR EXPR.2 ; EXPRESSION HANDLER NO TM
1910 1F88 245F BIT VARTYP ; STRING OR NUMERIC ?
1920 1F8A 3006 BMI STRING
1930 1F8C
1940 1F8C 206EB9 NUMERC JSR FP.STR ; CONVERT TO ASCII STRING
1950 1F8F 20AEB0 JSR SETSTR ; SCAN AND SETUP STRING
1960 1F92
1970 1F92 20B6B2 STRING JSR SETPTR ; SET POINTERS & GET LENGTH
1980 1F95 AA TAX ; PUT LENGTH OF STRING IN X
1990 1F96 A000 LDY #000
2000 1F98 EB INX
2010 1F99
2020 1F99 ; NOW PRINT TO SCREEN
2030 1F99
2040 1F99 CA PRINT DEX
2050 1F9A F00C BEQ P.EXIT ; DONE WITH PRINTING
2060 1F9C B171 LDA (STRPTR),Y ; GET CHAR TO PRINT
2070 1F9E C90D CMP #0D ; IGNORE CARRIAGE RETURNS
2080 1FA0 F0F7 BEQ PRINT

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made extensive use of existing routines in ROM BASIC, especially in the PRINT AT routine, and have tried to identify their functions in the listing. If you want to modify the program for other versions of Microsoft BASIC, you will need to replace these addresses with the corresponding ones for your machines.

Because the program is designed with no self-modifying sections, I can place it in ROM eventually. To accomplish this, certain page zero locations were used. These locations are not normally used by OSI ROM BASIC, but may be used on other machines. The locations used are \$E7, and \$FA through \$FF.

Listing 4 contains a BASIC program that will load the extensions into the top of any size memory machine. It will also configure itself for either C1 or C2, alter the character parser, and set the ENABLE/DISABLE flag to 0 (the extensions are ENABLED). In addition, it will lower the top of memory, and then NEW itself.

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2090 1FA2 91FC STA (TEMP2),Y ; PUT IT ON SCREEN
2100 1FA4 C8 INY
2110 1FA5 4C991F JMP PRINT ; BACK FOR NEXT CHAR
2120 1FAB ;
2130 1FAB 4CC200 P.EXIT JMP GETCUR ; EXIT TO BASIC
2140 1FAB ;
2150 1FAB P.HI = P.RTNE/256
2160 1FAB TMP = P.HI*256
2170 1FAB P.LO = P.RTNE-TMP
2180 1FAB ;
2190 1FAB ; CALL ROUTINE
2200 1FAB ;
2210 1FAB 20BC00 U.RTNE JSR PARBER ; GET NEXT CHAR
2220 1FAE C924 CMP #'* ; HEX ADDRESS ?
2230 1FB0 F014 BEQ HEXADR
2240 1FB2 ;
2250 1FB2 20ADAA DECADR JSR EXPR.1 ; 16 BIT EXPR - TM CHECK
2260 1FB5 200BB4 JSR FIX ; CONVERT FL ACCUM TO FIX
2270 1FBB A511 LDA #11 ; TRANSFER ADDRESS TO
2280 1FBA 85FC STA TEMP2 ; PG ZERO TEMPORARY LOC
2290 1FBC A512 LDA #12
2300 1FBE 85FD STA TEMP2+1
2310 1FC0 20FB00 JSR *00FB ; DO 'CALL'
2320 1FC3 ;
2330 1FC3 4CC200 JMP GETCUR ; BACK TO BASIC FOR DECIMAL
2340 1FC6 ;
2350 1FC6 20D61F HEXADR JSR HEXIN ; GET BYTES 1&2-CONVERT
2360 1FC9 85FD STA TEMP2+1 ; TO BINARY - PUT IN TEMP HI
2370 1FCB 20D61F JSR HEXIN ; GET BYTE 3&4-CONVERT TO
2380 1FCE 85FC STA TEMP2 ; BINARY - PUT IN TEMP LO
2390 1FD0 20FB00 JSR *00FB ; DO 'CALL'
2400 1FD3 4C8C00 JMP PARBER ; BACK TO BASIC
2410 1FD6 ;
2420 1FD6 20D91F HEXIN JSR HEXNXT
2430 1FD9 20BC00 HEXNXT JSR PARBER
2440 1FDC 2093FE JSR LEGAL ; LEGAL ASCII HEX ?
2450 1FDF 300F BMI SN.ERR ; NO-SO CAUSE SYNTAX ERROR
2460 1FE1 ;
2470 1FE1 0A ABL A ; CONVERT TO BINARY
2480 1FE2 0A ABL A
2490 1FE3 0A ABL A
2500 1FE4 0A ABL A
2510 1FE5 A004 LDY #*04
2520 1FE7 2A ROLLIT ROL A
2530 1FEB 26E7 ROL ROLBYT
2540 1FEA 88 DEY
2550 1FEB D0FA BNE ROLLIT
2560 1FED A5E7 LDA ROLBYT
2570 1FEF 60 RTS
2580 1FF0 ;
2590 1FF0 U.HI = U.RTNE/256
2600 1FF0 TMP = U.HI*256
2610 1FF0 U.LO = U.RTNE-TMP
2620 1FF0 ;
2630 1FF0 A202 SN.ERR LDX #*02 ; SN MESSAGE OFFSET
2640 1FF2 4C56A2 JMP ERRPRT ; ERROR PRINTER
2650 1FF5 ;
2660 1FF5 .END

```

### Listing 4

```

100 REM BASIC EXTENSIONS VER 1.3
110 REM AUTO CONFIGURATION C1/C2 & MEM SIZE
120 :
130 REM by MICHAEL M. MAHONEY APRIL 1981
140 :
150 REM ADAPTED FROM 'PUT YOUR HOOKS INTO OS1 BASIC'
160 REM by ED CARLSON IN MICRO #25
170 :
180 ME=PEEK(133)+256*PEEK(134):ME=ME-300
190 MH=INT(ME/256):ML=ME-(256*MH)
200 POKE 133,ML:POKE 134,MH:CLR: REM LOWER MEM & RESET PTRS
210 ME=PEEK(133)+256*PEEK(134)
220 :
230 FOR I=1 TO 293: READ X: POKE ME+1,X: NEXT I
240 :
250 FOR I=1 TO B: READ X,Y: Y=Y+ME
260 YH=INT(Y/256): YL=Y-(256*YH)
270 POKE ME+X,YL: IF X=8 THEN X=11
280 POKE ME+X+1,YH: NEXT I
281 :
282 FOR I=1 TO 3: READ X: Y=ME+X: YH=INT(Y/256): YL=Y-(256*YH)
283 POKE ME+82+1,YH:POKE ME+86+1,YL:NEXT I
290 :
300 T=20:X=PEEK(570BB): IF X<128 THEN 320: REM C2
310 POKE ME+92,4:POKE ME+143,32:POKE ME+161,32:T=5
320 MH=INT((ME+1)/256):ML=(ME+1)-(256*MH)

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Listing 4 (Continued)

```

330 PDKE 11,ML:PDKE 12,MH : X-USR(X)
340 :
350 #C : #P(8,T)"BASIC EXTENSIDNS VER 1.3"
360 #P(9,T)"-----"
370 #P(12,T)" by Michael M. Mahoney"
380 #P(15,T)"EXTENSIDNS NDW ENABLED"
390 #P(17,T)" TD DISABLE - PDKE 250,1"
400 #P(19,T)" TO ENABLE - POKE 250,0"
410 :
420 END
430 :
1010 DATA 169,76,133,188,133,251,169,235,133,189,169
1020 DATA 30,133,190,169,234,133,191,133,192,133,193
1030 DATA 169,0,133,250,96,230,195,208,2,230,196
1040 DATA 165,250,208,8,160,0,177,195,201,35,240
1050 DATA 3,76,194,0,32,188,0,160,0,162,255
1060 DATA 232,189,30,31,240,240,209,195,208,246,189
1070 DATA 38,31,133,252,189,34,31,133,253,108,252
1080 DATA 0,67,80,85,0,31,31,31,0,42,67
1090 DATA 171,0,162,8,169,208,133,253,160,0,132
1100 DATA 252,169,32,145,252,200,208,251,230,253,202
1110 DATA 208,246,76,188,0,169,208,133,253,169,0
1120 DATA 133,252,32,188,0,32,254,171,32,174,179
1130 DATA 224,32,176,27,232,202,240,13,24,169,64
1140 DATA 101,252,133,252,144,244,230,253,208,240,32
1150 DATA 1,172,32,174,179,224,64,144,5,162,8
1160 DATA 76,86,162,138,24,101,252,133,252,144,2
1170 DATA 230,253,32,251,171,32,193,170,36,95,48
1180 DATA 6,32,110,185,32,174,176,32,182,178,170
1190 DATA 160,0,232,202,240,12,177,113,201,13,240
1200 DATA 247,145,252,200,76,153,31,76,194,0,32
1210 DATA 188,0,201,36,240,20,32,173,170,32,8
1220 DATA 180,165,17,133,252,165,18,133,253,32,251
1230 DATA 0,76,194,0,32,214,31,133,253,32,214
1240 DATA 31,133,252,32,251,0,76,188,0,32,217
1250 DATA 31,32,188,0,32,147,254,48,15,10,10
1260 DATA 10,10,160,4,42,38,231,136,208,250,165
1270 DATA 231,96,162,2,76,86,162
1280 :
1290 DATA 8,28,58,79,67,87,72,83,215,202,248,263
1300 DATA 253,263,264,266
1310 :
1320 DATA 91,116,220
    
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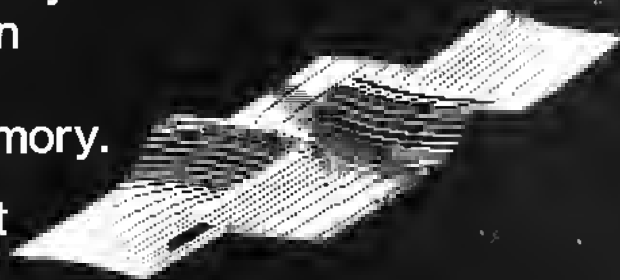
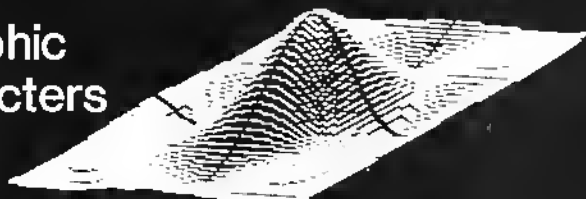
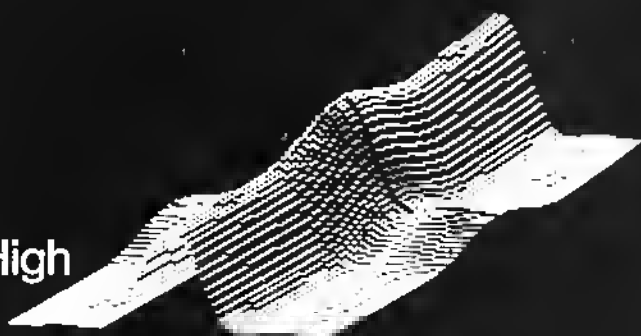
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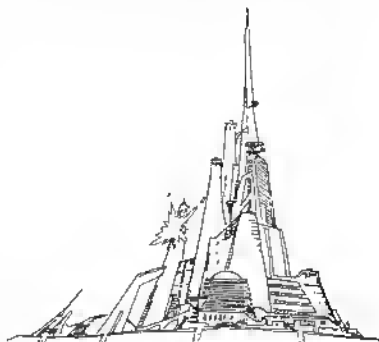
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I find it tiresome to convert hex to decimal and to type everything in by hand (plus this may produce numerous typing errors). It would be convenient to have a short program to convert machine code routines to BASIC DATA statements. So, I wrote the following short program to do the work for me.

The command format is: ?USR(S)  
[E][L][I] and "Carriage Return," where:

S is for the start address of the memory block

E is for the end address of the memory block + 1, which you want to convert to DATA statements

L is for the start of new line number for DATA statements

I is for the increment of its new line number

? is short for the "PRINT" command in OSI BASIC; it can be "PRINT" or "Z=" -- I have selected "?"

S, E, L and I should be input in decimal value.

To use this utility, you must:

1. RUN this program once after the BASIC COLD START, and it will set up USR(X) pointers and end-of-free-memory pointers.
2. You can LOAD or type in your own programs, if necessary, then type in ?USR(S)[E][L][I] to generate the required DATA statements.

## Listing 1

```

10 REM DATA STATEMENT GENERATOR
20 REM
30 REM VER. 3.0 (SEP.1, 1981)
40 REM
50 REM BY YASUO MORISHITA
60 REM
70 REM FORMAT ?USR(START)(END)(NEW LINE #)(INC.)
80 REM
90 RESTORE:M=7858: REM USR(X) Start address=$1EB2
100 H=INT(M/256):L=M-256*H
110 POKE11,L:POKE12,H:POKE133,L:POKE134,H
120 N=163:FOR X=M TO M+N-1:READ J:POKE X,J:NEXT
130 A=41629:M=M+N:N=124:GOSUB160
140 A=41756:M=M+N:N=47:GOSUB160
150 POKE M+15,96:NEW: REM Write "RTS"
160 FOR X=0 TO N-1:J=PEEK(A+X):POKE M+X,J:NEXT:RETURN
170 REM
180 REM Machine Language Data (163 Bytes)
190 REM
200 DATA 162,0,134,253,32,58,31,32,55,31,224,8,208,249,162
210 DATA 6,134,93,169,131,133,19,32,7,31,32,20,31,224,53,176
220 DATA 12,169,44,32,48,31,32,1,31,144,239,198,93,32,72,31
230 DATA 32,244,30,144,218,104,104,169,162,72,169,115,72,32
240 DATA 149,179,76,119,164,24,165,230,101,228,133,228,165
250 DATA 231,101,229,133,229,230,224,208,2,230,225,164,224
260 DATA 165,225,72,196,226,229,227,104,76,25,180,32,33,180
270 DATA 32,110,185,32,174,176,32,182,178,133,253,160,1,198
280 DATA 253,240,14,177,113,32,48,31,200,208,244,166,93,149
290 DATA 14,230,93,96,32,173,170,32,8,180,166,253,148,224
300 DATA 232,149,224,232,134,253,96,166,93,160,0,148,14,164
310 DATA 228,165,229,32,25,180

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## Listing 2

```

; DATA STATEMENT GENERATOR
;
; VER.3.0 (SEP.1, 1981)
; BY YASUO MORISHITA
;
; *=$1EB2
;
; DTABF = $E0
;
1EB2 A2 00 DSG0 LDX #0 ;Get data from line
1EB4 86 FD STX $FD
1EB6 20 3A 1F JSR GETDTA
1EB9 20 37 1F LDSC00 JSR GETDTB
1EBC E0 08 CPX #8 ;Expects 4 data
1EBE D0 F9 BNE LDSC00
1EC0 A2 06 LDSC02 LDX #6 ;Set input buffer ptr.
1EC2 86 5D STX $5D
1EC4 A9 83 LDA #$83 ;"DATA" token
1EC6 85 13 STA $13
1EC8 20 07 1F JSR ENDDTA ;Get data from memory
1ECB 20 14 1F LDSC01 JSR FIXASC ;Write dec. data in buffer
1ECE E0 35 CPX #$35 ;Line length limit

```

(Continued)

This program can even generate DATA statements with line numbers smaller than those of the existing BASIC program. It will insert the new line without any problem. If the new line number is same as the existing one, it will replace the old one with the new one.

**Example:** To convert memory block \$0000 - \$0010 with the starting line number as 10000 and an increment of 10, the input command will be:

```
?USR(0)(17)(10000)(10)
```

The result will be:

```
10000 DATA76,116,162,76,195,
      168,5,174,193,175,76,
      178,30,0,0
10010 DATA72,56
```

Even if you had any program prior to the execution of the above command, with line number such as 10, 20000, etc., the above two lines will be inserted correctly.

I have tried to convert 4096 bytes of memory into DATA statements with my C4P (BASIC-in-ROM) running at 2MHz system clock. It took about 20 seconds, produced 262 lines of DATA statements, and occupied about 14K bytes of memory. (Of course, I had to relocate the program to the safe location to do this experiment!)

Please note that this program uses quite a few subroutines out of BASIC ROM Version 1.0 Rev 3.2 of Ohio Scientific. It should work with ROM versions of the C4P, C1P, C2-4P and Superboard. It uses nine page 0 registers such as \$E0 - \$E7 and \$FD. If you want to relocate the program, change the following subroutine addresses accordingly.

NAME of subroutines:

```
NXTLNO, NXTDTA, ENDDTA,
FIXASC, WRTLB, GETDTB,
GETDTA, INSERT
```

It is also necessary to change line number 90 in the BASIC program to set up M as a new USR(X) start address in decimal.

If you are using a disk-based computer, or another manufacturer's computer, you will have to find out which register and subroutine will be equivalent to that used in this program.

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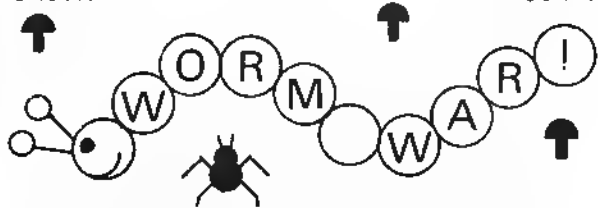
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1ED2 A9 2C      LDA #2C      ;",,"
1ED4 20 30 1F   JSR WRTLB
1ED7 20 01 1F   JSR NXTDTA ;Set data ptr for next
1EDA 90 EF     BCC LDSG01
1EDC C6 5D     DEC $5D
1EDE 20 48 1F NDSG01 JSR INSERT ;Insert new line into text
1EE1 20 F4 1E   JSR NXTLNO ;Update new line # & test
1EE4          ; if all data are done.
1EE4 90 DA     BCC LDSG02 ;Not yet all done.
1EE6 68        PLA          ;Prepare to exit to BASIC
1EE7 68        PLA
1EE8 A9 A2     LDA #A2      ;Trick to JMP back to
1EEA 48        PHA          ; BASIC warm start ($A274)
1EEB A9 73     LDA #73
1EED 48        PHA
1EEE 20 95 B3   JSR $B395 ;Reset flag to numeric
1EF1 4C 77 A4   JMP $A477 ;Reset ptrs & exit to BASIC
1EF4          ;
1EF4 18        NXTLNO CLC ;UPDATE NEW LINE #
1EF5 A5 E6     LDA DTABF+6 ;L. increment
1EF7 65 E4     ADC DTABF+4 ;L. current line #
1EF9 85 E4     STA DTABF+4 ;L. next line #
1EFB A5 E7     LDA DTABF+7 ;H. increment
1EFD 65 E5     ADC DTABF+5 ;H. current line #
1EFF 85 E5     STA DTABF+5 ;H. next line #
1F01 E6 E0     NXTDTA INC DTABF ;UPDATE DATA PTR.
1F03 D0 02     BNE ENDDTA
1F05 E6 E1     INC DTABF+1
1F07 A4 E0     ENDDTA LDY DTABF ;Get current data ptr
1F09 A5 E1     LDA DTABF+1
1F0B 48        PHA
1F0C C4 E2     CPY DTABF+2
1F0E E5 E3     SBC DTABF+3
1F10 68        PLA
1F11 4C 19 B4   JMP $B419 ;Set $11,12 with data ptr.
1F14          ;
1F14 20 21 B4 FIXASC JSR $B421 ;WRITE DEC. DATA IN BUFFER
1F17          ;
1F17 20 6E B9   JSR $B96E ;Get data from memory &
1F1A 20 AE B0   JSR $B0AE ; convert it to floating.
1F1D 20 B6 B2   JSR $B2B6 ;Floating->ASCII string
1F20 85 FD     STA $FD ;Scan, set up string.
1F22 A0 01     LDY #1 ;Discard unwanted string
1F24 C6 FD     LFXASC DEC $FD ;ASCII string length
1F26 F0 0E     BEQ RTNWL ;All done!
1F28 B1 71     LDA ($71),Y ;Write dec.ASCII string
1F2A 20 30 1F   JSR WRTLB ; into input line buffer
1F2D C8        INY
1F2E D0 F4     BNE LFXASC ;=JMP
1F30          ;WRITE CHR. IN INPUT BUF.
1F30 A6 5D     WRTLB LDX $5D ;Chr. ptr
1F32 95 0E     STA $0E,X
1F34 E6 5D     INC $5D
1F36 60        RTNWL RTS
1F37          ;
1F37 20 AD AA GETDTB JSR $AAAD ;GET DATA FROM LINE
1F3A 20 08 B4 GETDTA JSR $B408 ;Evaluate expression
1F3D A6 FD     LDY $FD ;Get value in (Y/A)=(L/H)
1F3F 94 E0     STY DTABF,X ;data counter
1F41 E8        INX ;Save L. data
1F42 95 E0     STA DTABF,X ;Save H. data
1F44 E8        INX
1F45 86 FD     STX $FD
1F47 60        RTS
1F48          ;
1F48 A6 5D     INSERT LDX $5D ;INSERT NEW LINE IN TEXT
1F4A A0 00     LDY #0 ;Chr. ptr.
1F4C 94 0E     STY $0E,X ;Terminate input line
1F4E A4 E4     LDY DTABF+4 ; buffer
1F50 A5 E5     LDA DTABF+5 ;Get L. new line #
1F52 20 19 B4   JSR $B419 ;Get H. new line #
1F55          ;Set new line # in $11,12
1F55          ;
1F55          ;Follows Insert program copied from BASIC ROM
1F55          ;
1F55          End
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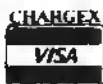
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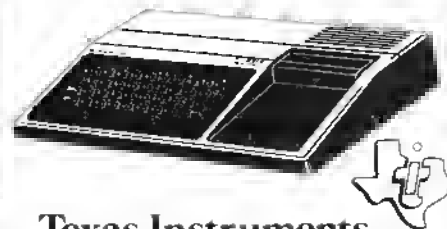


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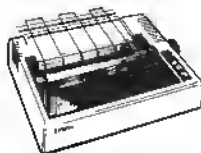
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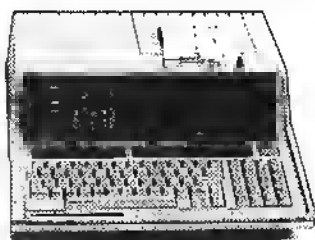
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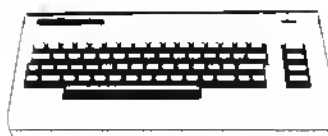


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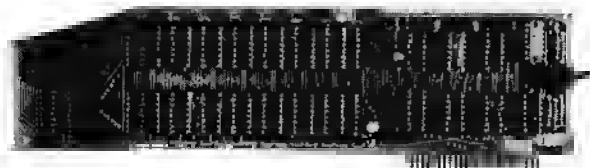
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**These enhancements to the Cursor Control program (MICRO 36:75) include automatic line numbering, PRINT AT, and better BASIC access to such functions as window setting.**

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This short, machine language utility frees C1P owners from the drudgery of typing line numbers and doubles as a fast line deleter.

When the Autonumber (AN) program (listing 1) is patched into Cursor Control, a number can be called up by hitting the LINE FEED key. A number will appear on the screen, indented one space and followed by a space, just as line numbers appear when they are LISTed. Only the number is stored in the buffer; this lets you use the limited buffer length to the fullest. By hitting the LINE FEED and RETURN keys alternately, you can delete lines quickly.

The counter for the Autonumber is located in \$F1, F2 (decimal 241 and 242). It can be set directly with POKES, or zeroed by doing a warm start. The counter can also be zeroed by POKEing \$206 (decimal 518) to zero.

Autonumber is patched into the Cursor Control by setting CC's PATCH jump to the starting address of Autonumber:

Change \$1E10 (\$12) to \$22  
\$1E11 (\$1E) to \$02

The line increment can be altered by changing location \$024C (decimal 588).

The AN uses a BASIC-in-ROM subroutine whose normal function is printing line numbers for the LIST routine and ERROR IN XXXX messages. This subroutine converts the contents of the A and X registers to an ASCII string stored in \$0100-010C. Next, it prints the string on the screen. The space after the line number is printed by another BASIC-in-ROM routine.

The AN program can be relocated, but \$1E10 and \$1E11 must point to the new starting address. If you've relocated the Cursor Control program, adjust AN's JMP \$1E12 accordingly.

Because of memory space limitations, I was not able to make the Cursor Control as modular as I would have liked. Several useful routines are impossible to access directly from BASIC. Also, I noticed that I seldom used the window feature because the windows are hard to set. The following routines (listing 2) should correct these weaknesses.

First, I designed the USR GO routine to make machine language subroutines easier to access. This routine eliminates the need to POKE different USR vectors when multiple machine language routines are called in a BASIC program. The vector (\$11-12) only needs to be set once, to the start of the USR GO routine. When you call a machine language subroutine, type X-USR (DDDDD). The D's represent the decimal address of the subroutine. You can use a number, variable, or even an expression inside the parentheses. For example,  $\{2*256 + 6*16 + 4\}$  would be accepted. To set USR GO, POKE 11,100:POKE12,2.

USR GO also allows five special subroutines to be called with a single digit (1-5). USR GO checks the high byte of the calling address in the USR parentheses before going to that address. If the high byte is zero (address less than 255), USR GO selects one of the five routines. If the number is not 1-5, a "function error" message is printed. With a little examination of the USR GO logic you can add over 200 of your own often-used subroutines. Here's a hint: \$B408 returns with the low byte of the address in the Y register.

Now that multiple machine language routines are easy to access, it's possible to tap three useful Cursor Control subroutines:

ESC - Switch windows (1)  
RUB - Erase current window (2)  
HOM - Home cursor (3)

There is also a PRINT AT function that moves the cursor location to any address in screen memory:

PRINAT - Print at (4)

The command format is  $X = \text{USR}(4)$  offset. The offset should be 1-1000 and can be expressed as a number, variable, or formula. The offset is added to \$D000 (upper left corner of the screen) and the cursor is moved to that location. A handy way to set cursor location is  $X = \text{USR}(4)A*32 + B$ .

To make window setting easier, I developed:

WINSET - Set window boundaries (5)

The command format is  $X = \text{USR}(5)$ top boundary, bottom boundary. The boundaries are expressed as line numbers: 1 = top to 32 = bottom.

See figure 2 in the Cursor Control article for a map of the window lines. A typical command would be: X = USR(5)24,30. This command would set the alternate window to the bottom quarter of the screen. To use the window, call the ESC routine: X = USR(1).

### CLR Subroutine

Notice that PRINAT uses one variable to the right of the USR parentheses, while WINSET uses two. CLR allows the use of a command form: X = USR(A),B,C for both routines. CLR finds the end of the statement, either colon or null, and sets the parser pointer (\$C3,C4) past the end of the line. Otherwise, BASIC would print an error message.

After trying out the Autonumber Plus, you may wish to relocate it to leave the block of RAM at \$0222 free. Cursor control could be moved down one or two pages and the AN relocated to the top of memory. Cursor Control will protect them from being overwritten. Warmstart vector \$0001 and \$0002 would have to be adjusted, of course.

Once again, I invite persons interested in CC or BASIC-in-ROM to drop me a line. I would particularly like to compliment the OSI Users Group-Northwest on their ROM BASIC memory map. Also, I thank A. Penaloza for his article in the August issue of PEEK(65) that made it possible to adapt the Cursor Control to C2P/C4P computers.

### Listing 1

```

;AUTONUMBER FOR CC
COUNTL=$F1
COUNTH=$F2
FLAG=$206
*=$222
;
0222 C90A    AUTONM CMP  #$A    ;LINE FEED KEY?
0224 D03B    BNE  QUIT    ;NO, BACK TO CC
0226 A900    LDA  #0
0228 AE0602   LDX  FLAG    ;FLAG=0 ?
022B D004    BNE  ZERO    ;NO, DON'T
022D 85F1    STA  COUNTL   ;RESET COUNTER
022F 85F2    STA  COUNTH
0231 8D0602   ZERO STA  FLAG
0234 A6F1    LDX  COUNTL
0236 A5F2    LDA  COUNTH
0238 205EB9   JSR  $B95E    ;PRINT LINE #
023B 20E0A3   JSR  $ABE0    ;PRINT SPACE
023E A2FF    LDX  #$FF
0240 E8      LOOP INX
0241 B00101   LDA  $101,X    ;GET DIGIT
0244 F004    BEQ  INCRMT   ;BRANCH IF NULL
0246 9513    STA  $13,X    ;DIGIT IN BUFFER
0248 D0F6    BNE  LOOP
024A
;
024A 18      INCRMT CLC      ;INCREMENT COUNTER
024B A905    LDA  #5
024D 65F1    ADC  COUNTL
024F 85F1    STA  COUNTL
0251 9002    BCC  DONE
0253 E6F2    INC  COUNTH
0255 8E0602   DONE STX  FLAG    ;SET FLAG
0258 68      PLA          ;PULL BUFFER INDEX (X)
0259 A8      TAY          ;FROM STACK AND REPLACE
025A 68      PLA          ;WITH DIGIT COUNT
025B 8A      TXA
025C 48      PHA
025D 98      TYA
025E 48      PHA
025F A901    LDA  #1      ;NON-PRINTING CHAR
0261 4C121E   QUIT JMP  $1E12 ;BACK TO CC

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# Listing 2

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;BASIC ACCESS TO
;CURSOR CONTROL
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ALTWIN=$E6
PATCH=$1E0F
ESCAPE=$1E5C
HOME=$1E72
RUBOUT=$1E80
PCURSR=$1F14
PRINT=$1F1F
*=$0264

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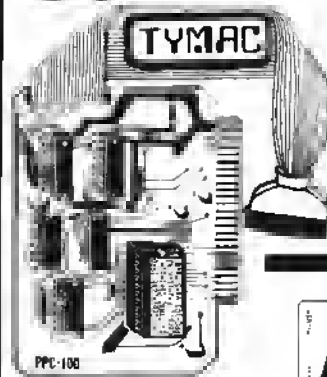
0264 200884 USRGD JSR $B408 ;CONVERT TO 2-BYTE No.
0267 C900 CMP $0 ;IS HI BYTE=0?
0269 F010 BCR ESC ;YES, TO CC SUBS
0268 6C1100 JMP ($0011) ;JUMP TO ADDRESS
026E
026E 201AA7 CLR JSR $A71A ;FIND END OF LINE
0271 C8 INY ;PLUS 1
0272 98 TYA
0273 18 CLC ;UPDATE PARSER POINTER
0274 65C3 ADC $C3
0276 9002 BCC CL1
0278 E6C4 INC $C4
027A 60 CL1 RTS
027B
027B 88 ESC DEY ;SWITCH WINDOWS
027C D005 BNE RUB
027E 48 PHA
027F 48 PHA
0280 4C601E JMP ESCAPE+4
0283
0283 88 RUB DEY ;CLEAR WINDOW
0284 D005 BNE HOM
0286 48 PHA
0287 48 PHA
0288 4C841E JMP RUBOUT+4
028B
028B 88 HOM DEY ;HOME CURSOR
028C D005 BNE PRINAT
028E 48 PHA
028F 48 PHA
0290 4C6F1E JMP HOME-3
0293
0293 88 PRINAT DEY ;PRINT AT
0294 F016 BNE WINSET
0296 201F1F JSR PRINT ;ERASE CURSOR
0297 20C1AA JSR $AAC1 ;GET OFFSET
029C 2008B4 JSR $B408 ;CONVERT TO 2-BYTE No.
029F 84E0 STY CURSOR ;ADD OFFSET TO $D000
02A1 18 CLC
02A2 69D0 ADC #$D0
02A4 85E1 STA CURSOR+1
02A6 20141F JSR PCURSR ;PRINT CURSOR
02A7 4C6E02 JMP CLR ;GOTO END OF LINE
02AC
02AC 88 WINSET DEY ;SET ALT. WINDOW
02AD D032 BNE ERR
02AF 20C302 JSR WINGET+3 ;GET START OF WINDOW
02B2 20D502 JSR STOR ;STORE IT
02B5 20C002 JSR WINGET ;GET END OF WINDOW
02B8 A202 LDX #2
02BA 20I502 JSR STOR ;STORE IT
02BD 4C6E02 JMP CLR ;TO END OF LINE
02C0
02C0 2001AC WINGET JSR $AC01 ;FIND COMMA ELSE ERROR
02C3 20C1AA JSR $AAC1 ;GET VALUE
02C6 2005AE JSR $AE05 ;CONVERT TO 2-BYTE #
02C9 C6AF DEC $AF ;MINUS 1
02CB A205 LDX #5 ;#6 FOR 2K CONVERSIONS
02CD 06AF W1 ASL $AF ;MULTIPLY BY 32
02CF 26AE ROL $AE
02D1 CA DEX
02D2 D0F9 BNE W1
02D4 60 RTS
02D5
02D5 A5AF STOR LDA $AF ;STORE WINDOW VALUES
02D7 95E6 STA ALTWIN,X
02D9 18 CLC
02DA A9D0 LDA #$D0
02DC 65AE ADC $AE
02DE 95E7 STA ALTWIN+1,X
02E0 60 RTS
02E1 4C8BAE ERR JMP $AE88 ;FUNCTION CALL ERR

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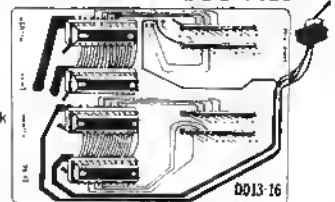
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users

p-SOURCE is a technical manual that describes the internal operation of the Apple Pascal P-code interpreter. Included are descriptions of programming techniques used within the interpreter, hints on how to speed up the interpreter, add your own routines to it, and incorporate hardware floating point. p-SOURCE is absolutely essential to the Pascal programmer.

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## The Single Life

By Brad Rinehart

Two years ago, Hudson Digital Electronics Inc. (HDE) decided to add an improved BASIC interpreter to their expanding line of development software. I was able to witness the creation of this interpreter, HDE Disk BASIC. Here's the inside story.

HDE designed their BASIC primarily for demanding industrial users, such as General Electric. Therefore, a comprehensive, sophisticated package was a necessity. However, since many hobbyists, businessmen, and professionals use HDE products, the new BASIC also had to be easy-to-use.

HDE wisely chose Microsoft's popular BASIC as the foundation for its new Disk BASIC. In the beginning there were the standard reserved words: PRINT, INPUT, TAN, POKE, etc., and only a few, very limited, disk commands. Today there are 127 reserved words, three types of disk files, and several library functions. Quite a piece of software!

HDE Disk BASIC is compatible with the AIM, SYM, and KIM disk systems. Customized versions are available by special request. I'll discuss only the KIM-based version here (the other versions are similar).

I want to start by describing some of HDE Disk BASIC's more outstanding features. In the KIM-based version, HDE Disk BASIC resides in memory from \$2000 to \$5000 and also uses memory from \$E000 to \$ECFF. In a 56K system, this leaves approximately 36,600 bytes of user memory! Room for plenty of code here.

HDE Disk BASIC is very user-friendly. For example, it relieves the user of the burden of manipulating the machine through PEEKs and POKEs. Instead, HDE Disk BASIC provides such handy features as 'ERN' and 'ERL', reserved words that return the 'Error Number' and 'Error Line' when an error occurs. The programmer can call this feature via an 'ON ERROR GOTO' instruction.

The following example demonstrates the use of ERL and ERN to determine that an OUT OF DATA error occurred during the READING of the data statements into the string variables.

```
10 ON ERROR GOTO 100
20 READ A$, B$, C$
30 DATA THESE, ARE, STRINGS
40 END
100 IF ERN = 4 AND ERL =
    20 THEN RESTORE: RESUME
110 PRINT "ERROR NUMBER";
    ERN; "OCCURRED IN LINE";
    ERL:STOP
```

Note that the use of ERL allows you to clarify not only the type of error, but also in which line it occurred.

HDE Disk BASIC also provides you with a line editor similar to the one found in HDE's TED (Text eDitor). This feature alone will save many hours of program development time on the screen.

The editor functions include:

APP allows you to append or add statements or comments to the end of one or more lines.

AUTO provides automatic line numbering. You may specify the line number to start with, as well as the line increment value (1-10).

COPY lets you copy one line to one or more new or existing lines. If the target line (the one being copied to) already exists, the entire line will be replaced with the source line.

DEL deletes from line to line. You may also specify DEL REM which will delete all the REM or remark statements from the program and leave the rest of the program untouched.

EDIT in HDE Disk BASIC is almost identical to the EDT statement in TED. By specifying the line to edit, (i.e. EDIT 200), you may insert, delete, or modify characters within the line.

FIND lets you find or locate reserved words or statements within the program.

MOVE is similar to COPY, except that the source line is removed from the text. For example, MOVE 100 200 will cause line 100 to be removed from the text and placed at line 200.

RENUM provides for renumbering of the program. It automatically adjusts all GOTO and GOSUB references to renumbered lines. You may specify the line to start with, the line number increment value, the number to assign to the first line, and the last line to renumber. This is an extremely useful function.

SET allows you to change a group of characters or words anywhere it occurs within the program. BASIC's SET command will display the line before making the change. You then have the ability to invoke the automatic change, or abort the change in individual lines or string occurrences.

You will appreciate these powerful edit functions. Instead of having to list programs or search for a particular statement, you can execute the FIND command and BASIC will display all lines containing the requested statement. And if you've ever spent hours removing the remark statements from the runtime version of a program, you'll especially appreciate the DEL REM function.

When comparing one machine with another, keep in mind that HDE's edit functions are an integral part of the interpreter, not an add-on package or one that must be 'booked' or 'linked' into the interpreter by the user. When you buy the software, you get the editor!

Modular or single board systems allow you to interface more than one type of terminal to the system. This ability provides a great deal of flexibility for the system designer, but it also presents interesting problems to the software engineer. For example, many terminals recognize the escape (ESC) character as a 'lead in' character for control sequences (clear screen, position cursor, etc.). Still others may use control characters, such as 'control X'

or 'control A' to invoke special functions, like self test. Another problem arises when a teletype is used as the terminal. Most teletypes only provide for a 72-character line, while CRT displays allow a minimum of 80 characters.

HDE Disk BASIC recognizes several characters which are used for specific functions. The escape (ESC) character is used to insert characters within a line when editing. Control X is used as a cancel character for several commands. To avoid conflicts, a personality module allows you to change the characters that are recognized for backspace, back-arrow, escape, control X, and control A. The personality module also allows you to define the line width and the character sequence transmitted for 'CLS' or clear screen.

In addition to interfacing BASIC to the system terminal, the personality module may be used to keep you out of trouble. For example, program development generally dictates that some means of stopping the program and/or looking at memory locations must exist. However, when the program is purchased by end users, they do not want the program to stop, and they do not care what is in which memory location. Therefore, we need a way to keep both sides of the industry happy. HDE's personality module satisfies this requirement. The normal functions, such as escape, control X, control A, etc., may be used while you develop the software. Then, after the package is complete, the personality module may be used to eliminate these functions. The process is simple: just 'tell' BASIC to recognize \$FF for these functions. Since no terminal transmits this hex sequence, the functions are ignored.

If you have not yet ventured beyond the realms of the personal computer, you may need an explanation of the library function. Many years ago someone decided that there must be a way to invoke common routines from more than one program. Therefore, a method was devised to provide shared routines, similar to the way in which people share books from a public library. When you want it, you go get it. When you're through with it, someone else may use it. The only requirement is that the book or routine must be in the library when you need it. In the case of a disk-based library, the routine is read from the disk when needed, but it is never erased or removed.

This library allows you to expand the capabilities of the interpreter without expanding the size of the interpreter in memory. Currently, there are several useful routines that may be included in the library. I should mention that the user is required to pay a nominal fee for these routines as they are not part of the standard package. A sampling of the HDE Disk BASIC library routines follows:

DUP lets you duplicate a data disk. DUP copies the entire disk using the FREE area in BASIC as a large disk buffer.

JMP prints a cross-reference of all referenced line numbers and the lines that reference them. For example, in the statement 100 GOSUB 1000, line 1000 is the referenced line, 100 is the line that refers to it.

VAR provides a cross reference of all variables and the lines in which they are used.

MAP displays the current memory map defining the area used for program storage, array storage, simple variables, disk file buffers, strings, and the free (or FRE) area.

A unique feature of the library is the means by which routines are called from it. For example, to implement the 'VAR' routine, you only need to enter LIB "VAR". Hence, virtually any routine may be added to the library and invoked through the 'LIB' command. This means that user routines may be called directly from the library, saving an entry into the disk index! The library is currently limited to fifty sectors, which is about 6400 bytes. However, it may be expanded if necessary.

When you boot up your HDE disk system, control is passed to the File Oriented Disk System (FODS). From FODS, you enter the command 'BAS' and BASIC is loaded from the system disk (usually drive 1 or 0) and initialized. The following phrase appears on the screen:

#### MEMORY SIZE?

You have three options. If a carriage return only is entered, BASIC determines the amount of available memory. If you do not wish to allow BASIC to use all of memory, you enter the decimal value of the highest location to be allocated to BASIC, followed by a

(RETURN). If you want to allocate memory above \$CFFF for something other than BASIC, you enter 53247 (RETURN) to the MEMORY SIZE? question. If this is the first time BASIC is run, you may want to enter a 'P' followed by (RETURN). This invokes the personality module.

There is one more method for invoking BASIC. Even though little has been written about FODS, it does provide for an 'auto start' function. This function may be used to implement BASIC, or any other program from the system disk. First the command word, such as BAS, must be written into FODS. Then either the boot strap routine must be changed to jump four locations higher into FODS, or the first three locations in FODS must be changed to NOPs (\$EA). I find it easier to load FODS, change the first three locations, and save it back to a blank disk. This disk is then used for all auto start functions.

The command word used to invoke the called program is written into FODS beginning 38 (\$26) locations from the beginning. FODS will recognize the first three characters as a command. The command word must be terminated by a carriage return (\$0D). When invoking BASIC, if the sequence 'BAS. \$0D' is used, BASIC will then look for a program '@MENU' on the system drive and execute it.

This auto start function allows a user, as opposed to a programmer, the ability to use pre-packaged software.

Next month I will explain the reserved words and their uses. Those of you who are interested in bringing HDE Disk BASIC up on your machine may want to contact one of HDE's factory representatives about obtaining a copy of the package.

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# KIM Bouncy Keypad Cure

**This 94-byte program eliminates the annoying keybounce and prolongs the life of your bouncy KIM-1 keypad. It can be used alone or as part of Jim Butterfield's BROWSE routine.**

Jody Nelis  
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My KIM has a lot of miles on it. As it aged, the keybounce appeared and became progressively worse. After a frustrating attempt at repairing the keypad myself, I gave in and bought a replacement.

While this should have been the end of the story, it was not. Just as the original had developed a bounce, so did the replacement. The thought of buying a new keypad every year discouraged me, and I sought a solution.

A study of the KIM-1 schematic diagram eliminated the idea of putting capacitors across the contacts to de-bounce them. A multiplexed, scanned keypad that is shared with the LED display does not lend itself to a hardware fix.

## The Cure

When I found that hardware wasn't practical, I turned to software. An analysis of the KIM-1 monitor listing led me to the source of the problem and suggested the cure.

Remember that KIM stands for Keyboard Input Monitor. Upon power up and after a little internal housekeeping, control is given to a routine in the ROM which does just that. It continually scans the keypad, patiently waiting for a key to be pushed. In its spare time, it keeps the LED display updated to reflect the latest input.

Unfortunately, this monitor routine does not have enough ability to differentiate between two separate and distinct keystrokes and one keystroke that bounced. The input routine is exceptionally fast. It will respond to your keystroke and update the display before the key you are pushing hits bottom.

Before this routine goes on to look for the next keystroke, it does a test to see if the key is still down. If it feels that it is still down, the routine just loops right there and continues to test until it decides that the key has been released. Then after a little additional internal housekeeping, it looks for the next keystroke.

A bouncing key is making and breaking contact. If it breaks contact long enough (only a few milliseconds), the test thinks that the original key has been released and a new one has been pushed. Thus, we can get a double (or triple) entry with just one keystroke. Some additional delay in the input routine is required.

## Program Overview

Presented here is my mini-monitor called "KIM-1 Bounceless Data Entry." BOUNCELESS responds to all of the hex keys as well as the "AD," "DA," and "+" keys in the same fashion as the KIM monitor. It also adds the one feature missing in the KIM monitor. It includes an adjustable timed delay which is initiated when each keystroke is first detected. During this delay time, anything happening at the keypad is totally ignored. This effectively debounces even the worst of keypads.

BOUNCELESS is 94 bytes long. It fits nicely into the RAM area in page 17, but it is totally relocatable. You may put it in any other RAM location that suits you. Listing 1 is a commented disassembly listing of BOUNCELESS. Once you have played with it and

set the delay to an interval that suits your finger and keypad condition, you can put it in EPROM if you wish.

While BOUNCELESS by itself is fine for short programs or data entry, anything over a few dozen bytes is best done using BROWSE. BROWSE is also a mini monitor utility that can be found in *The First Book of KIM*. Among other things, it can be used to aid in entering data or programs.

BROWSE has a debouncing scheme of sorts already written in it. While I have found it to be less susceptible to bounce than the KIM monitor, it is not adequate when the keypad deteriorates beyond a certain point.

Since I experienced keybounce using BROWSE, I modified it to include the time delay, thus making it bounceless also. I call my modified version DEBOUNCED BROWSE. It is 16 bytes longer than the original version, and remains totally relocatable.

Listing 2 is a hex dump of DEBOUNCED BROWSE produced by KIM. The commented disassembly of listing 3 shows only the modified portion.

## Detailed Description

The KIM monitor is about 1K long. Fortunately not all of it is really the "Keyboard Input Monitor." In fact, most of it supports the TTY and cassette interfaces on the KIM-1 board.

BOUNCELESS duplicates only those portions of the monitor that actually handle the address pointers, hexadecimal input conversions, and display management during the inputting of programs or data. It utilizes monitor subroutines whenever possible.

Looking at listing 1, the coding in BOUNCELESS from \$1780 to \$17C7 and \$17D8 to \$17DD is a condensed version of the coding found in the KIM

When relocating UP, the argument for the relative branch at \$0123, which calls it, must be changed. Make \$0124 \$79 and it will point to the new location. Similarly, the argument for the forced branch at the end of UP had to be adjusted to get back to LP1.

## Listing 2: DEBOUNCED BROWSE for the KIM-1

Modified version of BROWSE to eliminate keybounce on the KIM-1 keypad.  
(Original version of BROWSE by Jim Butterfield is in the first book of KIM. Modification by Jody Nellis - K3JZD.)

August, 1980

Hex Dump Produced by KIM

KIM  
0000 AD C

0110	D8	A9	13	85	FE	A9	00	85	FA	85	FB	C6	F3	D0	0E	A5
0120	FD	F0	0A	10	79	A5	FA	D0	02	C6	FB	C6	FA	20	19	1F
0130	20	6A	1F	C5	FE	F0	E4	85	FE	C9	15	F0	DE	A2	00	86
0140	FD	C9	10	90	1C	86	F4	C9	11	F0	01	E8	86	FF	C9	12
0150	D0	02	E6	FD	C9	14	D0	02	C6	FD	C9	13	D0	CF	4C	C8
0160	1D	0A	0A	0A	0A	85	FC	A2	04	A4	FF	D0	17	C6	F4	10
0170	07	20	63	1F	E6	F4	E6	F4	B1	FA	06	FC	2A	91	FA	CA
0180	D0	F8	F0	A9	0A	26	FA	26	FB	CA	D0	F8	F0	9F	A9	7F
0190	8D	07	17	20	19	1F	2C	07	17	10	F8	18	90	8F	20	63
01A0	1F	18	90	89												

KIM  
01A4 EA

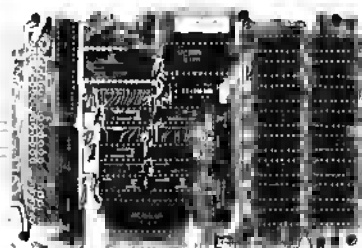
## Running Instructions

BOUNCELESS is totally relocatable. Load it anywhere you wish. Use the object portion of the disassembly (listing 1) in the same way you would use a hex dump. Save it at the beginning of your utility cassette since you will need it all of the time.

When you enter BOUNCELESS, nothing obvious will happen. This is normal. BOUNCELESS has taken command of all of the keyboard input now. It will respond to the AD, DA, + and #0 - #F hex keys in the normal fashion, but without the bounce. It will ignore the GO and PC keys.

When your data input is finished, return to the KIM monitor with the RS key. You can enter and exit BOUNCELESS at any time without upsetting anything else in user memory.

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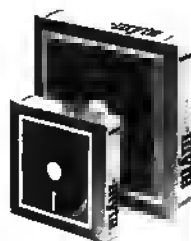
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DEBOUNCED BROWSE is also totally relocatable. Load it anywhere using listing 2. The operating instructions remain exactly the same as the original version. Refer to *The First Book of KIM* for all of BROWSE's features.

If you still get an occasional bounce when running either program, try increasing the value of the time delay byte. In BOUNCELESS this is \$17C9 and in DEBOUNCED BROWSE it is \$018F. Increasing the value will increase the delay.

Jody Nelis has been working with a KIM-1 since 1977. He bought it primarily to educate himself in the workings of small computers. Even though he also has an AIM-65 now, he still continues to work with the KIM-1 and highly recommends it to anyone desiring an excellent educational tool at a price that can't be beat.

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### Listing 3

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;DEBOUNCED BROWSE
;
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; BY JIM BUTTERFIELD
; (THE MODIFIED PROGRAM
; REMAINS COMPLETELY RELOCATABLE)
;
; MODIFIED BY JODY NELIS
;
; DELAY EPZ $7E
;CHANGE THE FOLLOWING LINE IN THE ORIGINAL 'BROWSE'
;
; ORG $0123
; BPL UP ;(NEW BRANCH OFFSET)
;
;ENTER NEW PROGRAMMING FROM $018E TO END
;
; ORG $018E
;
018E A9 7F DEBNCE LDA $DELAY ;SET DEBOUNCE TIME DELAY
0190 8D 07 17 STA TIMER ; TO .13 SEC.
0193 20 19 1F TIME JSR SCAND ;KEEP DISPLAY LIT
0196 2C 07 17 BIT TIMER ;IF TIME NOT UP YET
0199 10 F8 BPL TIME ;KEEP CHECKING TIMER
019B 18 CLC ;WHEN TIME IS UP
019C 90 8F BCC LP1 ;JUMP BACK TO LP1
019E ;
019E 20 63 1F UP JSR INCPT ;CALL ROUTINE TO
01A1 18 CLC ; INCREMENT ADDR
01A2 90 89 BCC LP1 ; FOR BROWSING
01A4 ;
01A4 END

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|--------------------------|------------------------------|
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| CTL Z - CLEAR SCREEN     | CTL M - CARRIAGE RETURN      |
| CTL K - UPLINE           | CTL N - KEYBOARD UNLOCK      |
| CTL C - BELL             | CTL O - KEYBOARD LOCK        |
| CTL H - BACKSPACE CURSOR | CTL A - HOME CURSOR          |

#### ESCAPE COMMANDS

- |                         |                                 |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| SEND CURSOR LOCATION    | DEACTIVATE PRINTER              |
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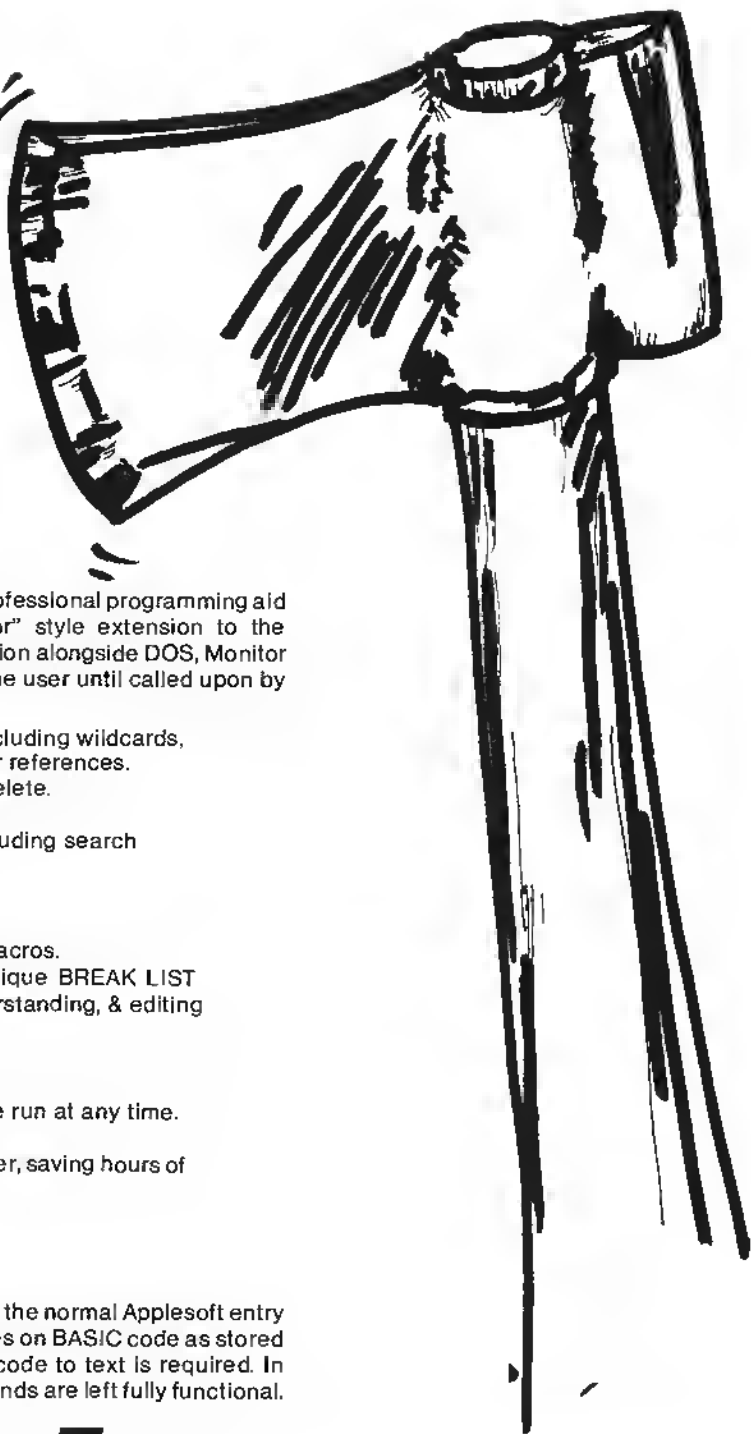
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# Binary Storage and Array Retrieval

**A technique for extremely fast I/O of arrays on disk is presented. It is accompanied by a demonstration program and a discussion of the representation of arrays in Applesoft. The method may be extended to other floating-point BASIC languages.**

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The DOS textfile facility, although very useful for other purposes, is not an especially good method for storing and retrieving array data. In fact, compared to other DOS routines, particularly the binary save and load process, the textfile is extremely slow. An array of 30,000 elements requires two to three minutes to be saved to a textfile. An equivalent amount of data can be zipped onto the disk as a binary file in about thirty seconds.

Moreover, since textfiles are literal, rather than symbolic representations of data, they do not use space efficiently. An array value such as 123.123456 requires 11 bytes — one for each character — to be stored in a textfile. Compare this to the five bytes required for floating-point storage in core memory. Also, since textfiles are finicky about accepting such delimiters as ",", and

"", they are not normally capable of saving and loading absolutely faithful images of string arrays.

Of course, textfiles do offer certain advantages over other forms of storage. For example, the APPEND command will link data to an existing file without needing to first read the file, add data, and then rewrite. The POSITION command, the B[yte] parameter specification, and the random access configuration allow the operating system to "reach into" the file and extract or replace specific records, fields or characters.

However, for those storage and retrieval applications that are not concerned with that level of manipulation, (particularly in cases where data is to be written read as an entire file), it is much faster and less cumbersome to BSAVE arrays directly to disk as binary files.

The following is a generalized method for implementing this process in Applesoft or, by extension, any similarly configured member of the Microsoft BASIC family. Although the techniques are comparatively simple, they need to be approached with a little forethought and some understanding of the principles involved.

## How Applesoft Variables are Stored

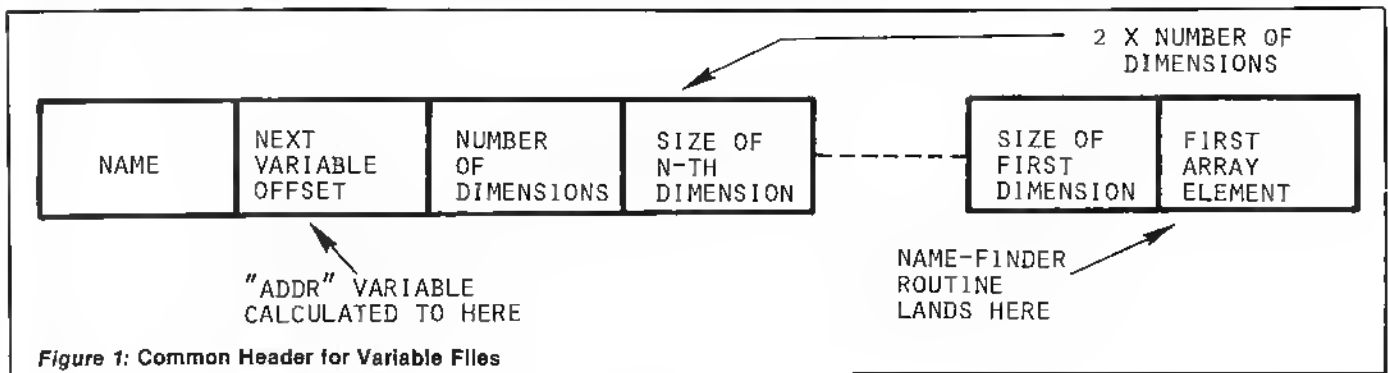
As they are encountered within a program, all Applesoft variables are stored in a space that begins at the

LOMEM setting (usually coincident with the end of the program itself, but occasionally set higher). The variable space is partitioned into two segments for simple and array variables.

The addresses for the first segment, simple variables, are stored in decimal locations 105/106 and 107/108. The addresses for the array variables in the topmost segment, are in locations 107/108 and 109/110.

These two segments contain all of the information necessary to allow an Applesoft program to find and manipulate all of the numeric variables. Strings, however, are another matter. Although the program and the numeric variables build from the bottom of user memory, strings start at the HIMEM setting and extend downward toward the top of the numeric value segment. In fact, it is the constantly narrowing gap between these two stacks that leads to the frequently sudden and annoying "garbage collection" process. The memory location of the last string stored is designated "start of string storage" and its address is at decimal locations 111/112.

The string storage area, however, contains only the literal elements of the strings. Applesoft locates these elements by referring to addresses located within the appropriate segment of the variable space that "point" to each string.



## Applesoft Array Storage

Each array within the array stack is defined by a variable file — a unique range of data that consists of two parts: an introductory header containing information relating to the nomenclature and structure of the array, and a trailer that contains the field of array values, or pointers to string array elements.

As shown in figure 1, the first seven bytes of the header are exactly the same for all three variable types, and are allocated as follows:

Two bytes for the first two characters in the variable's name. These are ASCII equivalents, and are

uniquely coded by turning the high bit of each character on or off, to indicate the type of variable.

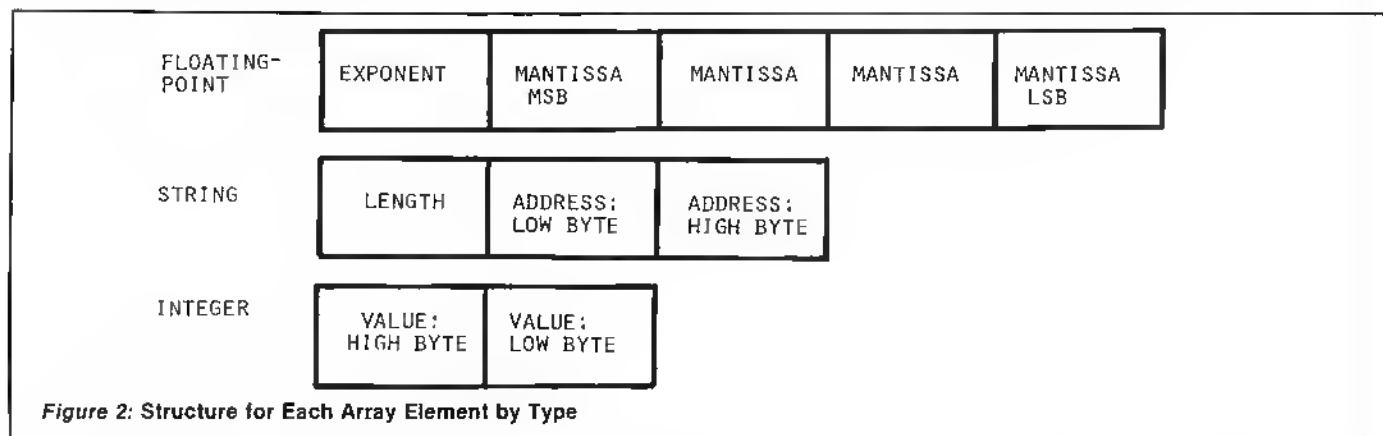
Two bytes for the value of an offset which, when added to the initial address of the current variable file, gives the address of the next variable in memory, and therefore implies the absolute length of the current file.

One byte for the number of dimensions in the array.

Two bytes for the size of the Nth array dimension.

From here the header adds two bytes for each dimension in the array. Since Applesoft limits the number of dimensions in an array to 88, the header length will always be between seven and 181 bytes.

As shown in figure 2, the length of the trailer for each file varies according to the number and type of the array elements. Each real variable requires five bytes to accommodate the floating-point format. Each integer value requires two bytes for reverse-order notation (most significant byte first). Each string pointer requires three bytes — one for the string length, and two for the address.



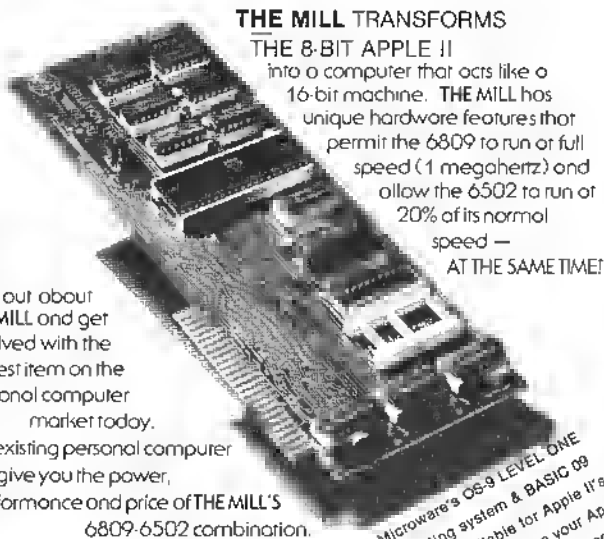
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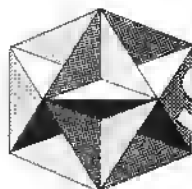
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## Storing and Retrieving Arrays

Program B.MODE demonstrates the array filing method.

A choice of "W" from the selection menu creates three test arrays based on the squares and cubes of 10 elements (two 100-element integer and real types, and one 1000-element string type), and transfers control to the first address calculation routine "strings" at line 410.

Line 420 equates the zero-th element of the array to itself. This has the effect of invoking an Applesoft internal locator routine that first locates the array in the variable space, and then deposits its address in decimal locations 131 and 132. The values in these two registers are then transferred to two "safe" locations so they will not be lost when another variable is referenced. DMEN is then set to the number of dimensions, and control is transferred to the SAVE and LOAD section beginning at line 340.

The SAVE and LOAD routine calculates the location and length (ADDR and LGTH) of the variable file by starting at the address in the "safe" locations and counting back three bytes plus two times the number of dimensions to the next-variable offset. The resultant range of data is then BSAVED to disk. The same calculations are performed for the "R" (for "Read") selection, but, of course, the length parameter is not used.

This basic process is the same for the storage and retrieval of all three array types. There is, however, one important difference in the process for string arrays. Since the actual strings are not located in the same area as their pointers, it is necessary to determine their locations and establish a separate file for them. Accordingly, line 440 resets ADDR to the location of the zero-th element, and sets LGTH equivalent to the difference between ADDR and STRG. This memory range is then either BSAVED or BLOADED, depending on the menu selection.

## Comparisons and Conditions

The differences, in terms of speed of execution and storage space, are impressive, and grow more so as the arrays increase in size. Figure 3 compares read and write timings and sector storage for text vs. binary files for the 10-element base test array. It also shows similar comparisons for the same array limited

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100 REM          B.MODE

110 D$ = CHR$(4):FILE$ = "":SL$ = ""
120 DIM CHAR$(9,9), IGER$(9,9,9), REAL(9,9)
130 ADDR = 0:LGTH = 0:STRG = 0:J = 0:K = 0:DMEN = 0
140 REM

150 REM -----CONTROL
160 TEXT : HOME : VTAB 23: HTAB 1: INPUT "READ OR WRITE (R/W) "
    :SL$: IF SL$ < > "R" AND SL$ < > "W" THEN 160
170 IF SL$ = "R" THEN 410
180 IF SL$ = "W" THEN GOSUB 200: GOTO 410
190 REM

200 REM -----TEST ARRAYS
210 STRG = PEEK(111) + PEEK(112) * 256
220 FOR J = 0 TO 9: FOR K = 0 TO 9
230 CHAR$(J,K) = "ROW " + STR$(J) + "," + "COL " + STR$(K)
240 NEXT : NEXT
250 FOR J = 0 TO 9: FOR K = 0 TO 9
260 REAL(J,K) = J * 10 + (K / 10)
270 NEXT : NEXT
280 FOR J = 0 TO 9: FOR K = 0 TO 9: FOR I = 0 TO 9
290 IGER$(J,K,I) = J * 100 + K * 10 + I
300 NEXT : NEXT : NEXT
310 PRINT FRE(0): CHR$(7)
320 TEXT : RETURN
330 REM

340 REM -----SAVE & LOAD
350 ADDR = ( PEEK(254) + PEEK(255) * 256) - 3 - 2 * DMEN
360 LGTH = ( PEEK(ADDR) + PEEK(ADDR + 1) * 256)
370 IF SL$ = "W" THEN PRINT D$ "BSAVE "FILE$;"A";ADDR;"L"LGTH
380 IF SL$ = "R" THEN PRINT D$ "BLOAD "FILE$;"A";ADDR
390 RETURN
400 REM

410 REM -----STRINGS
420 CHAR$(0,0) = CHAR$(0,0): POKE 254, PEEK(131): POKE 255,
    PEEK(132)
430 DMEN = 2:FILE$ = "CF.FILE": GOSUB 340
440 ADDR = PEEK(ADDR + 4 + 2 * DMEN) + PEEK(ADDR + 5 + 2 * DMEN)
    * 256
450 LGTH = STRG - ADDR
460 IF SL$ = "W" THEN PRINT D$ "BSAVE CS.FILE,A"ADDR,"L"LGTH
470 IF SL$ = "R" THEN PRINT D$ "BLOAD CS.FILE,A"ADDR
480 REM -----REALS
490 REAL(0,0) = REAL(0,0): POKE 254, PEEK(131): POKE 255,
    PEEK(132)
500 DMEN = 2:FILE$ = "RL.FILE": GOSUB 340
510 REM -----INTEGERS
520 IGER$(0,0,0) = IGER$(0,0,0): POKE 254, PEEK(131): POKE 255,
    PEEK(132)
530 DMEN = 3:FILE$ = "IG.FILE": GOSUB 340
540 REM

550 REM -----DISPLAY
560 PRINT CHR$(7)
570 TEXT : HOME
580 PRINT "STRINGS:" : FOR J = 0 TO 9: FOR K = 0 TO 9:
    PRINT CHAR$(J,K) " "; NEXT : PRINT : PRINT : NEXT
590 VTAB 23: HTAB 1: INPUT "NEXT ";SL$
600 TEXT : HOME
610 PRINT "REALS:" : FOR J = 0 TO 9: FOR K = 0 TO 9: PRINT REAL
    (J,K) " ";
    NEXT : PRINT : PRINT : NEXT
620 VTAB 23: HTAB 1: INPUT "NEXT ";SL$
630 TEXT : HOME
640 PRINT "INTEGERS:" : FOR J = 0 TO 9: FOR K = 0 TO 9:
    FOR I = 0 TO 9: PRINT
    IGER$(J,K,I) " "; NEXT : PRINT : PRINT : NEXT : PRINT : NEXT

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to five elements (25 numerics, and 125 strings), and expanded to 20 elements (400 numerics and 8000 strings).

Although the improvements in speed and space utilization depend on the size of the elements involved, it appears that most arrays can be saved and

loaded in from four to 14 times faster than textfiles, and may take up only half the space for numeric arrays, while sacrificing only a few sectors for strings.

When using this technique, one or two conditions need to be observed. First, the address calculations for the

	TEXT	BMODE	TEXT	BMODE	TEXT	BMODE
WRITE TIME	0:57	0:14	6:44	0:37	0:13	0:11
READ TIME	0:51	0:10	6:31	0:28	0:08	0:07
SPACE; SECTS						
CHAR. - TEXT	6	6	22	20	3	3
CHAR. - PTRS	-	3	--	6	-	2
REALS	3	4	10	9	2	2
INTEGERS	17	9	143	64	3	3
	10-ELEMENT BASE		20-ELEMENT BASE		5-ELEMENT BASE	

Figure 3: Comparison of Timing and Sector Usage for Various-Sized Types of Arrays.

string elements are based on the position of the zero-th element of the array. If that element is located within the program itself, the SAVE and LOAD routine will consider its position to be the start of the string file, and will attempt to save everything from there up to STRG.

Second, from the point where the zero-th element is first invoked to the point where the array is saved or loaded, any variables, particularly simple variables, referenced or assigned, must have been previously dimensioned. Otherwise the variable stack will be shifted up to accommodate them, and the locational references will become

meaningless. This is not a problem once the BSAVE or BLOAD process has been completed.

Finally, the FRE(0) statement is absolutely necessary to force a garbage collection and to reduce the size of the string file.

### Extension to Other Systems

This method should be simple to implement in other versions of Micro-soft BASIC, or any floating-point BASIC that structures and stores its variables in a similar manner. Or it could be implemented on a BASIC that has some provision for locating and

saving the addresses of specific array elements. Given those prerequisites, all you need to do now is to determine the system-specific addresses for array space, string storage, and the locator's variable address dump, and to make the appropriate substitutions.

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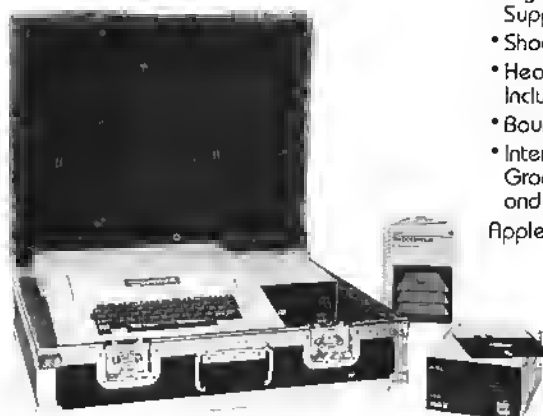
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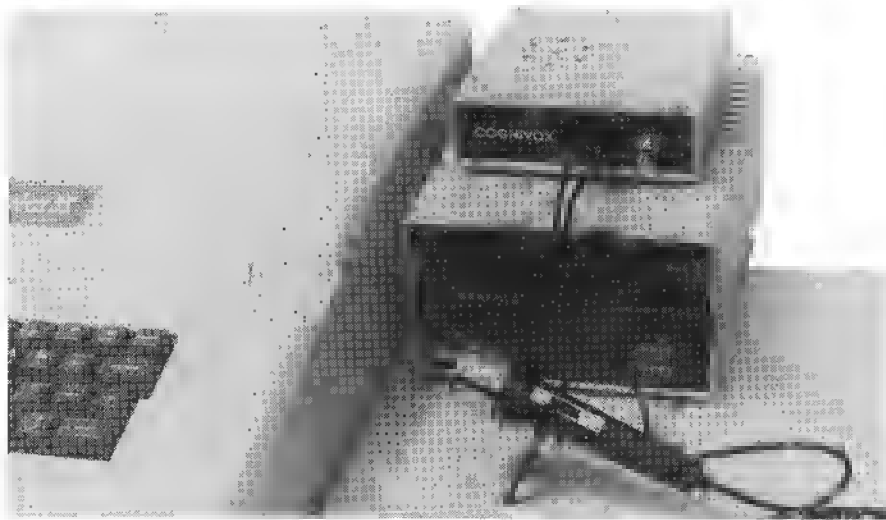
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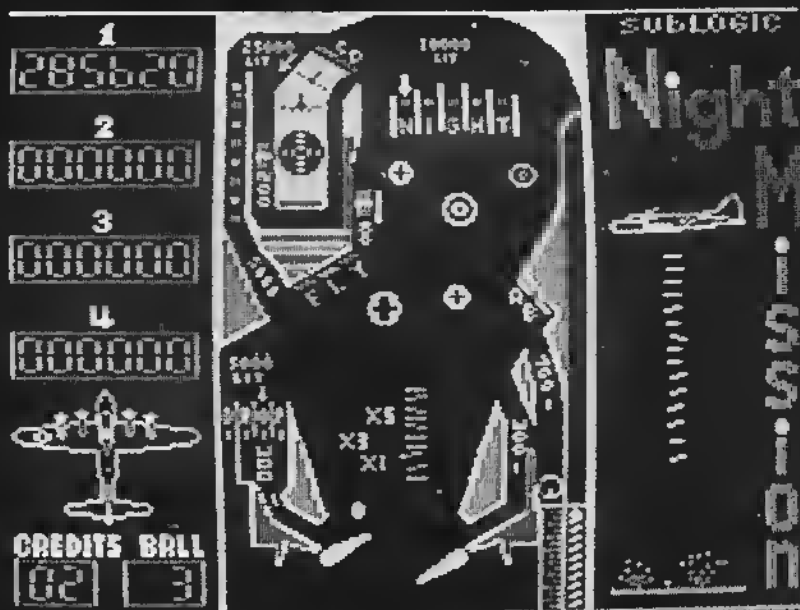
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# A Disassembler for the 6809

Here's a description of the operation of a disassembler for the 6809 microprocessor. The disassembler is written in Microsoft BASIC and will run either on the Apple II computer (using Applesoft) or on the Radio Shack Color Computer.

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In this article I will describe the development and use of a simple disassembler for the Motorola M6809 microprocessor. The disassembler is written in Microsoft BASIC and the source code appears at the end of the article. The program is designed to run on the Apple II computer. I originally developed the program on a Radio Shack color computer, but transferred it to the Apple to take advantage of the superior operating environment provided by Apple DOS 3.3. Since both Applesoft and Radio Shack Color BASIC were originally developed by Microsoft, transferring the program was fairly simple. Only a few changes in the input and output routines were needed to make the program run on the Apple. Conversely, it should be simple to make the necessary changes in the program so that it will, once again, run on the Radio Shack computer.

## Disassembler Fundamentals

A disassembler is a program which will read a machine language program, either from memory or from some storage device, then produce a listing of the opcode mnemonics and their associated data bytes. Some disassemblers generate output that includes labels for all branches and referenced data locations. This type of disassembler, called a "source code generator," can be used to produce a text file which may be modified and reassembled.

0:	NEG	D	***	V	***	V	COM	D	LSR	D	***	V	ROR	D	ASR	D
8:	ASL	D	ROL	D	DEC	D	***	D	INC	D	TST	D	JMP	D	CLR	D
16:	***	V	***	V	NOP	H	SYNC	H	***	V	***	V	LBRA	L	LBSR	L
24:	***	V	DAA	H	ORCC	M	***	V	ANDCC	M	SEX	H	EXG	1	TFR	1
32:	BRA	R	BRN	R	BHI	R	BLS	R	BCC	R	BCS	R	BNE	R	BEQ	R
40:	BVC	R	BVS	R	BPL	R	BMI	R	BGE	R	BLT	R	BGT	R	BLE	R
48:	LEAX	X	LEAY	X	LEAS	X	LEAU	X	PSHS	2	PULS	2	PSHU	2	PULU	2
56:	***	V	RTS	H	ABX	H	RTI	H	CWA1	2	MUL	H	***	V	SWI	H
64:	NEGA	H	***	V	***	V	COMA	H	LSRA	H	***	V	RORA	H	ASRA	H
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88:	ASLB	H	ROLB	H	DECB	H	***	V	INCB	H	TSTB	H	***	V	CLRB	H
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112:	NEG	E	***	V	***	V	COM	E	LSR	E	***	V	ROR	E	ASR	E
120:	ASL	E	ROL	E	DEC	E	***	V	INC	E	TST	E	JMP	E	CLR	E
128:	SUBA	M	CMPA	M	SBCA	M	SUBD	3	ANDA	M	BITA	M	LDA	M	***	V
136:	EORA	M	ADCA	M	ORA	M	ADDA	M	CMPX	3	BSR	R	LDX	3	***	V
144:	SUBA	D	CMPA	D	SBCA	D	SUBD	D	ANDA	D	BITA	D	LDA	D	STA	D
152:	EORA	D	ADCA	D	ORA	D	ADDA	D	CMPX	D	JSR	D	LDX	D	STX	D
160:	SUBA	X	CMPA	X	SBCA	X	SUBD	X	ANDA	X	BITA	X	LDA	X	STA	X
168:	EORA	X	ADCA	X	ORA	X	ADDA	X	CMPX	X	JSR	X	LDX	X	STX	X
176:	SUBA	E	CMPA	E	SBCA	E	SUBD	E	ANDA	E	BITA	E	LDA	E	STA	E
184:	EORA	E	ADCA	E	ORA	E	ADDA	E	CMPX	E	JSR	E	LDX	E	STX	E
192:	SUBB	M	CMPB	M	SBCB	M	ADDD	3	ANDB	M	BITB	M	LDB	M	***	V
200:	EORB	M	ADCB	M	ORB	M	ADDB	M	LDD	3	***	V	LDU	3	***	V
208:	SUBB	D	CMPB	D	SBCB	D	ADDD	D	ANDB	D	BITB	D	LDB	D	STB	D
216:	EORB	D	ADCB	D	ORB	D	ADDB	D	LDD	D	STD	D	LDU	D	STU	D
224:	SUBB	X	CMPB	X	SBCB	X	ADDD	X	ANDB	X	BITB	X	LDB	X	STB	X
232:	EORB	X	ADCB	X	ORB	X	ADDB	X	LDD	X	STD	X	LDU	X	STU	X
240:	SUBB	E	CMPB	E	SBCB	E	ADDD	E	ANDB	E	BITB	E	LDB	E	STB	E
248:	EORB	E	ADCB	E	ORB	E	ADDB	E	LDD	E	STD	E	LDU	E	STU	E

Table 1: Mnemonics and Type Indicators for the First 255 Opcodes

256:	1021LBH1	L	1022LBH1	L	1023LBLS	L	1024LBCC	L
260:	1025LBCC	L	1026LBNE	L	1027LBNE	L	1028LBVC	L
264:	1029LBVS	L	102ALBPL	L	102BLBML	L	102CLBGE	L
268:	102DLBTL	L	102ELBGT	L	102FLBLE	L	103FSW12	H
272:	1083CMPD	3	108CCMPY	3	108ELDY	3	1093CMPD	D
276:	109CCMPY	D	109ELDY	D	109FSTY	D	10A3CMPD	X
280:	10ACCMPY	X	10AELDY	X	10AFSTY	X	10B3CMPD	E
284:	10BCCMPY	E	10BELDY	E	10BFSTY	E	10CELD5	3
288:	10DELDS	D	10DFSTS	D	10EELDS	X	10EFSTS	X
292:	10FELDS	E	10FFSTS	E	113FSWT3	H	1183CMPU	3
296:	118CCMPS	3	1193CMPU	D	119CCMPS	D	11A3CMPU	X
300:	11ACMPS	X	11B3CMPU	E	11BCCMPS	E	LAST MNEMONIC	

Table 2: Opcodes and Mnemonics for Special Opcodes

The simpler disassemblers, like the one accompanying this article, simply produce a listing of addresses, opcodes and data bytes. The output is not suitable for reassembly without a lot of editing. The simpler disassemblers are generally used to examine code in memory, either to verify code you have written yourself, or to delve into the operation of code written by someone

else. For instance, I have used the 6809 disassembler on the color computer to examine the code in the BASIC ROMs to find out how BASIC uses different areas of memory.

There are two possible approaches to take in writing a disassembler. First you examine each opcode byte, break it into a bit pattern which represents the

mnemonic and addressing mode, then look up the proper mnemonic string in a table. If you examine a table of opcodes for the 6809, you will find that certain combinations of bits in the opcode bytes always occur with a particular addressing mode. By using logic and bit manipulation, you can deduce the proper mnemonic and addressing mode for the opcode byte. (This is the type of disassembler built into the Apple monitor.) However, I discarded this approach for two reasons:

1. The bit manipulations involved are most easily done in machine language — I was working with BASIC.
2. The wide variety of addressing modes available for the 6809 makes this approach more complex than when using a simpler processor like the 6800 or 6502.

The second approach to writing a disassembler is to use each opcode byte as an index into a table which contains both the mnemonic string and an indicator of the addressing mode. I chose this method because it is well-suited to implementation in Microsoft BASIC, which has an excellent string array facility. This approach requires a data array of at least 256 strings to hold each of the mnemonics (or an indicator for an illegal opcode byte — the 6809 has 34 of these). This method must also cope with the fact that there are 47 two-byte opcodes for the 6809.

The two-byte opcodes all have a first byte which is either \$10 or \$11. This simplifies the procedure for matching the opcode bytes to the mnemonics somewhat, but we would still need two more tables of 256 strings if we want to use the second byte as an index into a table for these instructions. Rather than set up this additional array space, I simply added the hexadecimal opcode representation to the beginning of the mnemonic string. Now, whenever the first byte of an opcode is \$10 or \$11, I simply search the mnemonic array until I find an entry which has the same hexadecimal representation as the code in memory.

Each mnemonic string ends with a single character which indicates the addressing mode for the opcode. Table 1 shows the mnemonic strings for the single byte opcodes. Table 2 displays the mnemonics and addressing modes

**Table 3**

MN\$(305)	The array of mnemonic strings
PR	Device number for output 1 = console, 2 = printer
O\$	The string which contains the output line of disassembled code
HW	A number representing a hexadecimal 16-bit word
HW\$	A string which contains a representation of a 16-bit hexadecimal word
BT	A number representing a hexadecimal byte
BT\$	A string representing a byte in hexadecimal form
AD	The address of the next byte to be fetched from memory
OP	The value of the most recently fetched opcode
EA	A number representing an effective address — usually the target of a branch opcode
PB	The post byte in an indexed mode instruction
IM	A number representing the particular indexing mode determined by a post byte
CD\$	A string which contains the data bytes for any data following the opcode
RR	A byte which represents the registers to be pushed or pulled
RR\$	The hexadecimal string representation of RR

for the two-byte opcodes. The address mode characters indicate the following types of addressing:

- D Direct page
- V Invalid opcode
- R Relative addressing
- X Indexed addressing
- H Inherent mode
- E Extended (16-bit) addressing
- M Immediate mode (with 8-bit data)
- L Long branch (16-bit offset)
- 1 Push or pull with single post-byte
- 2 Two-register mode (as in TFR X,D)
- 3 Immediate addressing with 16-bit data

The program (listing 2) runs in a tight loop contained in lines 110 to 390. In this loop the first opcode byte is read from memory (line 130) and the matching mnemonic is determined. Opcodes are matched to mnemonics in subroutines beginning at lines 7000 and 7500. The first of these determines mnemonics for single-byte opcodes, the second the mnemonics for two-byte opcodes.

The series of IF statements in lines 170-270 determines the addressing mode and call subroutines appropriate to each addressing mode. See table 3 for a list of the most important variables in the program and their functions.

## Using the Program

The disassembler is very simple to use. When you run the program it will ask for the hexadecimal address where you start the disassembly. Once you have entered the address, it will ask you whether you want the output directed to the screen or the printer. After disassembly begins, the program is not particularly fast. This isn't much of a problem since the output scrolls by at a comfortable reading rate when it is directed to the screen. If I find a particularly interesting spot, I halt the program by hitting any key on the keyboard. Hitting another key will resume the disassembly, hitting an ESC will restart the program and ask you again for the starting address and output device. Listing 1 is a sample of the output. (This particular code is part of a video driver for the Apple.)

I hope this program will be useful to any of you who are using the 6809 processor. Although BASIC may not be the best language for writing this type of program, sometimes you have to use the language available. This was certainly the case when I first purchased my Color Computer. Even if you are not using the 6809, the techniques used to decipher the bit patterns may interest you if you would like to work with other processors.

### Listing 1: Sample of Disassembled Code

```

7877: 34 36      PSHS  A,B,X,Y,
7879: 70 C000     TST   SC000
787C: 2A 0C      BPL   $788A
787E: 17 0171    LBSR  $79F2
7881: 81 93      CMPA  #993
7883: 26 05      BNE   $788A
7885: 17 016A    LBSR  $79F2
7888: A6 E4      LDA   ,S
788A: 8A 80      ORA   #880
788C: 81 A0      CMPA  #8A0
788E: 2C 4B      BGE   $78DB
7890: 81 8D      CMPA  #88D
7892: 27 56      BEQ   $78EA
7894: 81 8A      CMPA  #88A
7896: 27 54      BEQ   $78EC
7898: 81 87      CMPA  #887
789A: 26 05      BNE   $78A1
789C: 35 36      PULS  A,B,X,Y,
789E: 16 00B6    LBRA  $7957
78A1: 81 88      CMPA  #888
78A3: 26 17      BNE   $78BC
78A5: 0A 24      OEC   $24
78A7: 2A 11      BPL   $78BA
78A9: 96 20      LOA   $20
78AB: 9B 21      AODA  $21
78AD: 4A        OECA
78AE: 97 24      STA   $24
78B0: 0D 25      TST   $25
78B2: 27 06      BEQ   $78BA
78B4: 0A 25      DEC   $25
78B6: 96 25      LDA   $25
78B8: 8D 7E      BSR   $7938
78BA: 35 B6      PULS  A,B,X,Y,PC,
78BC: 81 9D      CMPA  #9D0
78BE: 26 04      BNE   $78C4
78C0: 80 51      BSR   $7913
78C2: 35 B6      PULS  A,B,X,Y,PC,
78C4: 81 8C      CMPA  #88C
78C6: 26 05      BNE   $78CD
78C8: 17 009D    LBSR  $7968

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### Listing 2: 6809 Disassembler

```

10 REM 6809 DISASSEMBLER
15 HIMEM: 20000
20 REM M.BORGERSON
30 REM 12/25/80
40 OIM MNS(305):HS = "0123456789ABCDEF"
50 GOSUB 9000: REM READ OATA
60 REM GET STARTING ADDRESS
70 HOME: PRINT "6809 DISASSEMBLER V1.0"
74 PR = 0
80 PRINT: INPUT "HEX ADDRESS:";HAS
90 GOSUB 9100: REM CONVERT TO DECIMAL NUMBER
100 AD = HD
105 INPUT "OUTPUT TO SCREEN (1), OR PRINTER (2)?";PR
106 IF (PR < 1) OR (PR > 2) THEN 105
110 REM NOW GO INTO LOOP
115 OS = ""
120 HW = AD: GOSUB 8000: OS = HW$ + ","
130 OP = PEEK(AO): IF ((OP = 16) OR (OP = 17)) THEN GOSUB 7500: GOTO 150
140 GOSUB 7000
150 REM NOW ASSEMBLE OPCODE STRING
170 IF TYS = "H" THEN GOSUB 400
180 IF TYS = "D" THEN GOSUB 500
190 IF TYS = "R" THEN GOSUB 1000
200 IF TYS = "M" THEN GOSUB 1500
210 IF TYS = "E" THEN GOSUB 2000
220 IF TYS = "V" THEN GOSUB 2500
230 IF TYS = "X" THEN GOSUB 3000
240 IF TYS = "1" THEN GOSUB 4000
250 IF TYS = "2" THEN GOSUB 4500
260 IF TYS = "L" THEN GOSUB 5000
270 IF TYS = "3" THEN GOSUB 5500
280 GOSUB 6000: REM PRINT OPCODE STRING
290 IF PEEK(49152) > 128 THEN 350
300 GOTO 110
310 REM *****
350 REM KEYBOARD HALT
360 GET QS
370 IF QS = CHR$(27) THEN PRINT CHR$(4); "PR#0": PRINT: GOTO 80
390 GET QS: GOTO 110
400 REM INHERENT MODE
420 OS = OS + CDS + " " + MNS: RETURN
500 REM DIRECT MOOE

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510 BT = PEEK (AD):AD = AD + 1: GOSUB 8500
520 OS = OS + CD$ + " " + BT$ + " " + MN$ + "$" + BT$
530 RETURN
1000 REM RELATIVE MODE
1020 EA = PEEK (AD):AD = AD + 1
1030 BT = EA: GOSUB 8500:OS = OS + CD$ + " " + BT$ + " " + MN$
1035 IF EA > 128 THEN EA = EA - 256
1040 EA = AD + EA:HW = EA: GOSUB 8000:OS = OS + "$" + HW$
1070 RETURN
1200 REM LONG BRANCH
1210 EA = 256 * PEEK (AD) + PEEK (AD + 1):AD = AD + 2
1220 HW = EA: GOSUB 8000:OS = OS + CD$ + " " + HW$ + " " + MN$
1230 IF EA > 32767 THEN EA = EA - 65536
1240 HW = EA: GOSUB 8000:OS = OS + "$" + HW$
1250 RETURN
1500 REM IMMEDIATE MODE
1510 EA = PEEK (AD):AD = AD + 1
1540 BT = EA: GOSUB 8500:OS = OS + CD$ + " " + BT$ + " " + MN$ + "$$ " +
BT$
1550 RETURN
2000 REM EXTENDED MODE
2010 EA = PEEK (AD) * 256 + PEEK (AD + 1):AD = AD + 2
2020 HW = EA: GOSUB 8000:OS = OS + CD$ + " " + HW$ + " " + MN$ + "$" + HW$

2040 RETURN
2500 REM INVALID OF CODE
2510 OS = OS + CD$ + " ??????"
2520 RETURN
3000 REM INDEXED MODE
3005 EA$ = " "
3010 PB = PEEK (AD):AD = AD + 1: IF PB < 128 THEN 3900
3015 BT = PB: GOSUB 8500:CD$ = CD$ + " " + BT$
3020 PB = PB - 128:RR = INT (PB / 32):AM = PB - 32 * RR
3030 IM = 0: IF AM > 15 THEN IM = 1:AM = AM - 16
3040 IF IM = 1 THEN MN$ = MN$ + "("
3050 ON AM + 1 GOSUB 3100,3150,3200,3250,3300,3350,3400,3450,3500,3550,
3600,3650,3700,3750,3800,3850
3070 IF IM = 1 THEN OS = OS + ")"
3080 RETURN
3100 REM AUTO INCREMENT BY 1
3110 CD$ = CD$ + " ":OS = OS + CD$ + MN$ + " ": GOSUB 3950:OS = OS + "+"

3120 RETURN
3150 REM AUTO INCREMENT BY 2
3160 CD$ = CD$ + " ":OS = OS + CD$ + MN$ + " ": GOSUB 3950:OS = OS + "++"

3170 RETURN
3200 REM AUTO DECREMENT BY 1
3210 CD$ = CD$ + " ":OS = OS + CD$ + MN$ + " "-: GOSUB 3950
3220 RETURN
3250 REM AUTO DECREMENT BY 2
3260 CD$ = CD$ + " ":OS = OS + CD$ + MN$ + " "--: GOSUB 3950
3270 RETURN
3300 REM ZERO OFFSET
3310 CD$ = CD$ + " ":OS = OS + CD$ + MN$ + " ": GOSUB 3950
3320 RETURN
3350 REM ACC B OFFSET
3360 CD$ = CD$ + " ":OS = OS + CD$ + MN$ + "B,: GOSUB 3950
3370 RETURN
3400 REM ACC A OFFSET
3410 CD$ = CD$ + " ":OS = OS + CD$ + MN$ + "A,: GOSUB 3950
3420 RETURN
3450 REM NOT VALID
3460 OS = OS + CD$ + " ??????": RETURN
3500 REM 8-BIT OFFSET
3510 CD$ = CD$ + " ":BT = PEEK (AD):AD = AD + 1: GOSUB 8500
3520 CD$ = CD$ + BT$ + " ":EA = BT: IF EA > 127 THEN EA = EA - 256
3530 OS = OS + CD$ + " " + MN$ + STR$ (EA) + " ": GOSUB 3950
3540 RETURN
3550 REM 16-BIT OFFSET
3560 CD$ = CD$ + " ":HW = PEEK (AD) * 256 + PEEK (AD + 1):AD = AD + 2:
GOSUB 8000
3570 CD$ = CD$ + HW$:OS = OS + CD$ + MN$:EA = HW: IF EA > 32767 THEN EA = EA
- 65536
3580 OS = OS + STR$ (EA) + " ": GOSUB 3950
3590 RETURN
3600 REM INVALID POST-BYTE
3610 OS = OS + CD$ + " ????: RETURN
3650 REM OFFSET BY D
3660 CD$ = CD$ + " ":OS = OS + CD$ + MN$ + "D,: GOSUB 3950
3670 RETURN
3700 REM 8-BIT PCR
3710 BT = PEEK (AD):AD = AD + 1: GOSUB 8500:CD$ = CD$ + " " + BT$ + "
3720 EA = BT: IF EA > 127 THEN EA = EA - 256
3730 OS = OS + CD$ + MN$ + STR$ (EA) + " ",PCR"
3740 RETURN
3750 REM 16-BIT PCR
3760 HW = PEEK (AD) * 256 + PEEK (AD + 1):AD = AD + 2: GOSUB 8000:CD$ = CD
$ + " " + HW$
3770 EA = HW: IF EA > 32767 THEN EA = EA - 65536
3780 OS = OS + CD$ + MN$ + STR$ (EA) + " ",PCR"
3790 RETURN
3800 REM INVALID

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3810 OS = OS + "      ?"
3820 RETURN
3830 REM INDIRECT ADDRESS
3840 HW = PEEK (AD) * 256 + PEEK (AD + 1):AD = AD + 2: GOSUB 8000
3870 CD$ = CD$ + " " + HW$:OS = OS + CD$ + " " + MN$ + "$" + HW$
3880 RETURN
3900 REM 5-BYTE OFFSET
3910 RR = INT (PB / 32):EA = PB - RR * 32: IF EA > 15 THEN EA = EA - 32
3920 BT = PB: GOSUB 8500:OS = OS + CD$ + " " + BT$ + " " + MN$
3930 OS = OS + STR$ (EA) + ",": GOSUB 3950
3940 RETURN

3950 ON RR + 1 GOTO 3960,3961,3962,3963
3955 OS = OS + "?": RETURN
3960 OS = OS + "X": RETURN
3961 OS = OS + "Y": RETURN
3962 OS = OS + "U": RETURN
3963 OS = OS + "S": RETURN
4000 REM 2-REGISTER TYPE
4010 RR = PEEK (AD):AD = AD + 1
4020 R1 = INT (RR / 16):R2 = RR - 16 * R1
4030 BT = RR: GOSUB 8500:OS = OS + CD$ + " " + BT$ + " " + MN$
4040 RR = R1: GOSUB 4200:OS = OS + RR$ + " ",RR = R2: GOSUB 4200:OS =
OS + R R$
4050 RETURN
4060 REM *****
4200 REM BREAK RR INTO RR$
4210 RR = RR + 1: REM SHIFT INTO RANGE
4220 ON RR GOTO 4240,4250,4260,4270,4280,4290,4300,4310,4320,4330,4340,
4350
4230 RR$ = "?": RETURN
4240 RR$ = "D": RETURN
4250 RR$ = "X": RETURN
4260 RR$ = "Y": RETURN
4270 RR$ = "U": RETURN
4280 RR$ = "S": RETURN
4290 RR$ = "PC": RETURN
4300 RR$ = "?": RETURN
4310 RR$ = "?": RETURN
4320 RR$ = "A": RETURN
4330 RR$ = "B": RETURN
4340 RR$ = "CC": RETURN
4350 RR$ = "DP": RETURN
4500 REM 1 REGISTER PUSH/PULL
4510 EA = PEEK (AD):AD = AD + 1:OS = OS + CD$ + " ":BT = EA: GOSUB
8500:OS = OS + BT$ + " " + MN$
4520 RP$ = ""
4530 IF EA > 127 THEN RP$ = "PC," + RP$:EA = EA - 128
4540 IF EA > 63 THEN RP$ = "U," + RP$:EA = EA - 64
4550 IF EA > 31 THEN RP$ = "Y," + RP$:EA = EA - 32
4560 IF EA > 15 THEN RP$ = "X," + RP$:EA = EA - 16
4570 IF EA > 7 THEN RP$ = "DP," + RP$:EA = EA - 8
4580 IF EA > 3 THEN RP$ = "B," + RP$:EA = EA - 4
4590 IF EA > 1 THEN RP$ = "A," + RP$:EA = EA - 2
4600 IF EA > 0 THEN RP$ = "C," + RP$
4610 OS = OS + RP$: RETURN
5000 REM LONG BRANCH
5010 EA = PEEK (AD) * 256 + PEEK (AD + 1):AD = AD + 2
5020 HW = EA: GOSUB 8000:OS = OS + CD$ + " " + HW$ + " " + MN$
5030 IF EA > 32768 THEN EA = EA - 65536
5040 HW = AD + EA: GOSUB 8000:OS = OS + "$" + HW$
5050 RETURN
5500 REM 2-BYTE IMMEDIATE DATA
5510 HW = PEEK (AD) * 256 + PEEK (AD + 1):AD = AD + 2
5520 GOSUB 8000:OS = OS + CD$ + " " + HW$ + " " + MN$ + "$" + HW$
5530 RETURN
5540 REM *****
6000 REM OUTPUT TO SELECTED DEVICE
6010 OS = LEFT$ (OS,17) + " " + RIGHT$ (OS, LEN (OS) - 17)
6020 IF PR = 1 THEN PRINT OS
6030 IF PR = 2 THEN GOTO 6500
6040 RETURN
6050 REM RETURN TO MAIN LOOP
6060 REM *****
6500 REM SEND OUTPUT TO PRINTER IN SLOT #1
6510 PRINT CHR$ (4);"PR#1"
6520 PRINT OS
6530 PRINT CHR$ (4);"PR#0"
6540 RETURN
6550 REM *****
7000 REM GET OP & MNEMONIC FOR STANDARD
7010 SP = 0:BT = OP: GOSUB 8500:CD$ = " " + BT$
7020 MN$ = LEFT$ (MN$ (OP),6):TY$ = RIGHT$ (MN$ (OP),1)
7030 AD = AD + 1: RETURN
7500 REM DETERMINE OP & MNEONIC FOR SPECIAL
7510 HW = OP * 256 + PEEK (AD + 1):AD = AD + 2:SP = 1
7520 GOSUB 8000:CD$ = HW$
7530 FOR I = 256 TO 303: IF LEFT$ (MN$ (I),4) = CD$ THEN MN$ = RIGHT$
(MN$ (I),7)
7540 NEXT I
7550 TY$ = RIGHT$ (MN$,1):MN$ = LEFT$ (MN$,6)
7560 RETURN
7570 REM *****

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8000 REM PUT HW INTO HEX HW$
8010 WH = INT (HW / 256):WL = HW - 256 * WH
8020 BT = WH: GOSUB 8500:HW$ = BT$
8030 BT = WL: GOSUB 8500:HW$ = HW$ + BT$
8040 RETURN
8500 REM PUT BT INTO HEX BT$
8510 NH = INT (BT / 16):NL = BT - 16 * NH
8520 BT$ = MID$ (H$,NH + 1,1) + MID$ (H$,NL + 1,1)
8530 RETURN
9000 REM READ DATA
9010 RESTORE
9020 FOR I = 0 TO 303: READ MN$(I): NEXT I
9030 RETURN
9100 REM CONVERT HEX TO DECIMAL
9110 HD = 0
9120 FOR I = 1 TO LEN (HA$)
9130 HC = ASC ( MID$ (HA$,I,1)) - 48: IF HC > 9 THEN HC = HC - 7
9140 HD = 16 * (HD + HC)
9150 NEXT I
9160 HD = HD / 16: RETURN
9500 REM MNEMONIC DATA
9510 DATA NEG D,*** V,*** V,COM D,LSR D,*** V,ROR D,ASR D
9520 DATA ASL D,ROL D,DEC D,*** D,INC D,TST D,JMP D,CLR D
9530 DATA *** V,*** V,NOP H,SYNC H,*** V,*** V,LBRA L,LBSR L
9540 DATA *** V,DAA H,ORCC M,*** V,ANDCC M,SEX H,EXG 1,TFR 1
9550 DATA BRA R,BRN R,BHI R,BLS R,BCC R,BCS R,BNE R,BEQ R
9560 DATA BVC R,BVS R,BPL R,BMI R,BGE R,BLT R,BGT R,BLE R
9570 DATA LEAX X,LEAY X,LEAS X,LEAU X,PSHS 2,PULS 2,PSHU 2,PULU 2
9580 DATA *** V,RTS H,ABX H,RTI H,CWAI 2,MUL H,*** V,SW1 H
9590 DATA NEGA H,*** V,*** V,COMA H,LSRA H,*** V,RORA H,ASRA H
9600 DATA ASLA H,ROLA H,DECA H,*** V,INCA H,TSTA H,*** V,CLRA H
9610 DATA NEGB H,*** V,*** V,COMB H,LSRB H,*** V,RORB H,ASRB H
9620 DATA ASLB H,ROLB H,DECB H,*** V,INCB H,TSTB H,*** V,CLRB H
9630 DATA NEG X,*** V,*** V,COM X,LRS X,*** V,ROR X,ASR X
9640 DATA ASL X,ROL X,DEC X,*** V,INC X,TST X,JMP X,CLR X
9650 DATA NEG E,*** V,*** V,COM E,LSR E,*** V,ROR E,ASR E
9660 DATA ASL E,ROL E,DEC E,*** V,INC E,TST E,JMP E,CLR E
9670 DATA SUBA M,CMPA M,SBCA M,SUBD 3,ANDA M,B1TA M,LDA M,*** V
9680 DATA EORA M,ADCA M,ORA M,ADDA M,CMPX 3,BSR R,LDX 3,*** V
9690 DATA SUBA D,CMPA D,SBCA D,SUBD D,ANDA D,B1TA D,LDA D,STA D
9695 DATA EORA D,ADCA D,ORA D,ADDA D,CMPX D,JSR D,LDX D,STX D
9700 DATA SUBA X,CMPA X,SBCA X,SUBD X,ANDA X,B1TA X,LDA X,STA X
9710 DATA EORA X,ADCA X,ORA X,ADDA X,CMPX X,JSR X,LDX X,STX X
9720 DATA SUBA E,CMPA E,SBCA E,SUBD E,ANDA E,B1TA E,LDA E,STA E
9730 DATA EORA E,ADCA E,ORA E,ADDA E,CMPX E,JSR E,LDX E,STX E
9740 DATA SUBB M,CMPB M,SBCB M,ADDD 3,ANDB M,B1TB M,LDB M,*** V
9750 DATA EORB M,ADCB M,ORB M,ADDB M,LDD 3,*** V,LDU 3,*** V
9760 DATA SUBB D,CMPB D,SBCB D,ADDD D,ANDB D,B1TB D,LDB D,STB D
9770 DATA EORB D,ADCB D,ORB D,ADDB D,LDD D,STD D,LDU D,STU D
9780 DATA SUBB X,CMPB X,SBCB X,ADDD X,ANDB X,B1TB X,LDB X,STB X
9790 DATA EORB X,ADCB X,ORB X,ADDB X,LDD X,STD X,LDU X,STU X
9800 DATA SUBB E,CMPB E,SBCB E,ADDD E,ANDB E,B1TB E,LDB E,STB E
9810 DATA EORB E,ADCB E,ORB E,ADDB E,LDD E,STD E,LDU E,STU E
9820 DATA 1021LBRN L,1022LBHI L,1023LBLS L,1024LBCC L,1025LBSC L,1026
LBNE L,1027LBEO L
9830 DATA 1028LBVC L,1029LBVS L,102ALBPL L,102BLBM1 L,102CLBGE L,102D
L,102ELBGT L,102FLBLE L
9840 DATA 103FSW12 H,1083CMPD 3,108CCMPY 3,108ELDY 3,1093CMPD D,109C
CMPY D,109ELDY D,109FSTY D
9850 DATA 10A3CMPD X,10ACCMPY X,10AELDY X,10AFSTY X,10B3CMPD E,10
BCCMPY E,10BELDY E,10BFSTY E
9860 DATA 10CELDS 3,10DELDS D,10DFSTS D,10EELDS X,10EFSTS X,10FE
LDS E,10FFSTS E
9870 DATA 113FSW13 H,1183CMPU 3,118CCMPS 3,1193CMPU D,119CCMPS D,11A3
CMPU X,11ACCMPS X,11B3CMPU E,11BCCMPS E
9880 DATA "LAST MNEMONIC"

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## PET Vet

By Loren Wright

COMAL is a relatively new language developed in Denmark. The PET/CBM version is called "CBM COMAL 80," and was written especially for Commodore (Europe, not U.S.) by Mogens Kjaer. The name COMAL is an acronym for COMMON ALgorithmic Language. It began as a few extensions to BASIC, but, as more was added, it became apparent that COMAL should stand alone. COMAL does indeed have a lot in common with BASIC, but the influence of Pascal is equally apparent. The intent was to combine the best features of BASIC (easy to learn, easy to program, interactive with the best features of Pascal, more powerful, easy-to-follow structured program flow). COMAL's creators have accomplished that goal.

### Program Editing

Editing of COMAL programs is very similar to BASIC. However, there are convenient RENUMBER, AUTONUMBER, and DELETE commands. It is also possible to ENTER lines from a disk file. This makes building procedure libraries very easy.

The successively indented listing format, which shows the structure of a program, is provided automatically.

### Program Operation

The COMAL disk includes two versions of the interpreter. One consists of the whole interpreter in one program file. The other splits it into "input" and "execute" modules. The combined version is easier to use, particularly when learning the language, but the split version allows much longer programs (15,358 bytes vs. 4949) and includes the PRINT USING function.

### Features of COMAL

#### Variables:

COMAL supports numerical, string, and Boolean variables, as well as multi-dimensional arrays of numbers, and one-dimensional arrays of strings. There is apparently no distinction between floating point numbers and in-

tegers (and their different memory requirements). Names may be up to 16 characters, all of which are significant. String manipulation is simpler than it is in BASIC, but just as powerful.

#### Program Flow:

Procedures in COMAL work similarly to those of Pascal. They are called with an EXEC statement or as part of a numerical expression. The structure supports both one-way and two-way parameter passing, and a procedure may be CLOSED to make all of its internal variables local. By assigning a value to the procedure name before exiting, the procedure may be used as a function in an expression.

The best way to determine the power of a language is to examine how it makes decisions. PET BASIC has two decision-making structures: IF...THEN and ON...GOTO (or GOSUB). You can use these to solve just about any programming problem, but often the program flow becomes complex and error-prone. COMAL extends the IF...THEN structure to include ELSE and ELIF (=ELSE IF) functions. ON...GOTO and ON...GOSUB are replaced by the CASE structure, which, unlike many Pascal implementations, includes an ELSE capability.

COMAL has three structures that allow controlled repetition of a program segment. FOR...NEXT works exactly as it does in BASIC, except that it is possible to have a one-line loop without a NEXT. REPEAT...UNTIL allows a program segment to be repeated until a condition (tested at the end of the segment) is satisfied. DO...WHILE...ENDWHILE allows repetition of a program segment until a condition (tested at the beginning of the segment) fails.

There is also a GOTO in COMAL, but it is used only to transfer control to a label, which is defined with a name followed by a colon on a line by itself.

### Other Features

COMAL's PRINT function is similar to BASIC's, but it allows a little more flexibility. PRINT USING, implemented only in the split version of the interpreter, does a good job of formatting numerical data.

Most of the familiar BASIC built-in functions are supported. The RND function generates pseudo-random integers over a specified range.

### Evaluation

COMAL is an excellent compromise between Pascal and BASIC. It is easy to learn, and the system is easy to operate. The gain over BASIC in structure, power, and readability is considerable. Few programmers really need all of the power of Pascal and some versions are actually less powerful than COMAL. The exacting nature of Pascal's syntax makes programming more difficult and tedious.

If you work on a number of different computers, you will find that knowledge of COMAL is not particularly transportable, but that may change. The price is right, and I recommend getting a copy, if only to get a taste of high-level programming.

### The Future of COMAL

Much of the future of COMAL is in the hands of Commodore. Rumor has it that COMAL will eventually replace BASIC as the language supplied with CBM, PET, and VIC computers. There are already ROM versions in existence for nearly every Commodore machine, and there is an enhanced version for the 8096 which is extremely powerful. There is talk of a prototype color version in England, running in a 40-column VIC. As yet, none of this has been confirmed by Commodore, US.

### Where to Get COMAL

COMAL was originally distributed (by arrangement with Commodore) by the COMAL Users' Group (5501 Groveland Terrace, Madison, WI 53716). Although they are no longer distributing the COMAL Starter Kit, they are still a good source of information. Many users' groups have the COMAL interpreters already in their libraries, since the disk versions were placed in the public domain by Commodore. If your group doesn't have it, contact another group or the COMAL Users' Group.

Most of the information on COMAL is published in Europe. Ellis Horwood Ltd. (Market Cross House, Cooper Street, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 1EB, England) has two books available: *Structured Programming with COMAL-80* by Roy Atherton and a tutorial by Borge Christensen. Len Lindsay's *COMAL Handbook* should be available soon from Reston Publishing Co. (Reston, VA).

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**Name:** Accounting System (Integrated portion of EIS General Acct. System)  
**System:** OS-65U  
**Memory:** 48K  
**Language:** BASIC  
**Hardware:** Ohio Scientific C-2 or C-3 series

**Description:** Keeps detailed records of all transactions and generates income statements and balance sheets to provide information on fiscal activities.

**Price:** \$1,500.00 includes 3 program disks and a step-by-step user's manual

**Author:** Electronic Information Systems, Inc.

**Available:** Electronic Information Systems, Inc.  
 P.O. Box 5893  
 Athens, GA 30604  
 (404) 353-2858

**Name:** Snow Watch  
**System:** Apple II Plus  
**Memory:** 48K  
**Language:** CP/M  
**Hardware:** Disk II, Printer  
**Description:** Computerized school and business closings for use in a severe weather emergency by radio and television stations. Schools phone in unique code numbers to tell whether they are open or closed. Program completely organizes status reports and messages. Prints full or update reports for on-air use.

**Price:** \$350.00 includes diskette, documentation, and consultation

**Author:** Roger Skolnik

**Available:** Media Service Concepts, Inc.  
 1713 N. North Park  
 Chicago, IL 60614

**Name:** Arnold  
**System:** Apple II or Apple II Plus  
**Memory:** 48K  
**Language:** Extended BASIC  
**Hardware:** MMI DAC board with Apple II or Apple II Plus

**Description:** Designed to teach tone recognition and melodic memory skills, Arnold asks you to recall and enter the

tones of an ever-increasing melody by using solfeggio syllables or scale degree numbers. Utilizes patterns from 95 graded melodies with five levels of skill difficulty, beginning to very difficult. Arnold keeps your progress record on the disk.

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**Author:** J. Timothy Kolosick

**Available:** Micro Music, Inc.  
 P.O. Box 386  
 Normal, IL 61761  
 (309) 452-6991

**Name:** Galactic Chase  
**System:** Atari 800/400  
**Memory:** 16K  
**Language:** Assembly  
**Description:** Fast moving attack and destroy game featuring several skill levels to challenge accomplished gamers as well as beginners. Galactic Chase utilizes the extensive graphics capabilities of the Atari computer. Colorful creatures attack from the far reaches of space. The game is designed for one or two players, captains of a star ship that is the last defender of space.

**Price:** \$24.95 cassette  
 \$29.95 diskette

**Available:** Spectrum Computers  
 26618 Southfield Rd.  
 Lathrup Village, MI 48076  
 (313) 559-5252

**Name:** Edit All  
**System:** OSI Disk Systems  
**Memory:** 1K at top of memory  
**Language:** Machine  
**Hardware:** OSI C1P MF, C2-4 MF

**Description:** Edit All is a full screen editor for OSI computers. It replaces the standard I/O routines to allow the user to edit any program line that is on the screen. As editing takes place, the line is dynamically expanded or contracted. Edit All supports a scroll window screen handler that allows you to define where on the screen you want your output to go. All output to the screen is via a window whose length, height

and width are all user-changeable. Full cursor control is supported along with an instant screen clear. Edit All works with OS65D BASIC and Assembler.

**Price:** \$19.95 includes 5 1/4" disk, documentation

**Author:** Dave Pompea

**Available:** DMP Systems  
 319 Hampton Blvd.  
 Rochester, NY 14612

**Name:** EZAID  
**System:** PET/CBM  
**Memory:** 8K - 32K  
**Language:** Assembler  
**Hardware:** New ROMs, cassette or disk, 40- or 80-column screen

**Description:** 4K EPROM chip which is available for any free socket and is intended for use with the EZASM chip. Any area of memory, even if not the execution address, may be disassembled in two passes, producing source code which is 100% compatible with the EZASM Assembler. User-defined labels may be included for clarity and you can make modifications to the source code generated as you wish. FIND function with optional replacement field and no restrictions as to BASIC keywords or whatever. AUTO line numbering. Renumber EZASM source program. Delete a block of lines. Repeat keys.

**Price:** \$80.00 including shipping and instructions.

**Author:** Milton B. Balhurst

**Available:** DataCap  
 73 Rue du Village  
 4545 Feneur  
 Belgium

**Name:** Statistics with Daisy  
**System:** Apple II  
**Memory:** 48K  
**Language:** Applesoft ROM  
**Hardware:** Apple II, disk drive with DOS 3.3

**Description:** Daisy offers a full range of statistical capabilities and excels on user conveniences. Statistics with Daisy is a statistical analysis package suitable for business, scientific, and social science applications. Some of its features include: full user assistance facilities HELP and INFO, math and time-series transforms, Hi-Res plots, basic

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**Price:** \$79.95 includes disk and manual

**Author:** Kevin C. Killion

**Available:** Rainbow Computing  
 19517 Business Center Dr.  
 Northridge, CA 91324

**Name:** Merlin Dial/Data  
**System:** Apple II and Apple II Plus  
**Memory:** 48K  
**Language:** BASIC (Applesoft)  
**Hardware:** Apple II or Apple II Plus, two disk drives, micro model

**Description:** Allows Apple user immediate access to Merlin data base which has been used by investment professionals for more than a decade. Gives daily and historical price information for all securities, options and commodities on all major exchanges. Automatic access and file handling. All prices are updated daily and system is Compu-trac compatible. Also available to other micro users who wish to write their own programs.

**Price:** \$50 Apple software, monthly usage charges based on use of daily pricing service. Includes manual, data base creation and maintenance plus automatic access to Merlin DIAL/DATA time sharing system for prices.

**Available:** Remote Computing Corp.  
 Dept. MS  
 1044 Northern Blvd.  
 Roslyn, NY 11576  
 (516) 484-4545

**Name:** Mail Mate  
**System:** Apple II Plus  
**Memory:** 48K  
**Language:** BASIC (Applesoft) and Assembly

**Description:** Mail Mate is a mail-merge system that can operate with the Magic Window word processing system, or by itself as a stand-alone

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mailing/phone list system. Highlights are: quick sort; string search; 10 selection fields; flexible specification of selection codes for printing and logical ANDing between selection fields; operates on a single disk drive; prints one or two addresses across; flexible salutation specification; all fields fully edited.

Price: \$85.00 Canada, \$70.00 U.S. includes 13- and 16-sector versions plus 30-page user manual

Author: Managematics Ltd.

Available:  
Evolution Software Inc.  
1632 Bathurst Street  
Toronto, Ontario M5P 3J5  
(416) 787-3441

Name: **Pascal File Exchange (PEX)**  
System: Apple II  
Memory: 48K RAM  
Language: Pascal  
Hardware: Apple II, Language Card, 2 disk drives, Micro-modem II or Coupler and Apple COM Card

Description: PEX is a Pascal File Transfer program with a novel feature — it transmits a copy of itself to another Apple even though initially the other Apple does not have any Pascal software to receive data from its modem. Thereafter, the operators may type messages in a "chat" mode, inspect the local and remote directories, schedule and exchange one or more files and initiate the execution of local and remote Pascal code modules.

Price: \$45.00 includes disk with executable Code Files and formatted Documentation File

Author: Graeme Scott

Available:  
Arrow Micro Software  
11 Kingsford  
Kanata, Ontario, Canada  
K2K 1T5  
(613) 592-4609

Name: **Multi-Tasking Kernel**  
System: Any  
Memory: 100 bytes  
Language: Source Assembly  
Hardware: 8085, Z-80, 6502, 6809, 6800

Description: The *Multi-Tasking Kernel* is a valuable tool for systems integrators to develop multiple real-time software tasks in a micro-

processor-based product. It is a ROMable product which efficiently oversees both the selection and execution of each task. The kernel is fast, small, and easy to use. The *Multi-Tasking Kernel* is completely documented, fully tested, and available in source assembly form for the 8085, Z-80, 6502, 6800, and 6809.

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Available:  
U.S. Software  
5470 N.W. Innisbrook Place  
Portland, OR 97229  
(503) 645-5043

Name: **Type**  
System: SDOS or SDOS/MT  
Memory: 48K minimum  
Hardware: 6800/6809 CPU with CRT, disk and printer

Description: *Type* is a document-formatting program, used in word-processing or document production. Commands embedded in raw text files processed by *Type* control the formatting of that text on the output device. Output formatting includes full justification, page width and depth, page numbering, centering, spacing, titles and table of contents generation. *Type* is used in conjunction with the SD screen editor for easy data entry.

Price: \$140.00 includes program, 100-page manual

Author: AMS

Available:  
Software Dynamics  
(exclusively)  
2111 W. Crescent, Su. G  
Anaheim, CA 92801  
(714) 635-4760

Name: **DOS/65**  
Version 1.2  
System: 6502  
Memory: At least 16K  
Language: Machine  
Hardware: 8" or 5" "IBM Compatible" disk

Description: *Version 1.2 of DOS/65* is available for either 8" SSD disks or 5" SSD disks. It can be used with double density or double-sided disks and allows the user to specify the disk format. Included with the system is an editor, assembler, debugger, a full feature BASIC (BASIC-E/65), and several transient programs such as copy rou-

tines, file transfer routines and similar programs. BASIC-E/65 provides full disk I/O capability for random and sequential files and provides the usual arithmetic and string functions and statements.

Price: \$125 to \$175 depending upon customizing requirements. Includes disk and 200-page documentation package.

Author: Richard A. Leary

Available:  
Richard A. Leary  
1363 Nathan Hale Drive  
Phoenixville, PA 19460

Name: **68000 Cross Assembler**  
System: 6809 FLEX™ or UniFLEX™ System  
Memory: 56K  
Language: Assembler  
Hardware: Any supporting 6809 FLEX or UniFLEX

Description: A full 68000 assembler which executes on a 6809. Accepts all standard Motorola instruction mnemonics with the exception of certain "suffix variations" to some root mnemonics. All expressions are evaluated to 32 bits. Numerous directives permit page formatting, symbol table listing, line numbering, command line parameters, file inclusion, etc. Macros and conditional assembly supported. Outputs S1/S2/S8/S9 records of ASCII hex data.

Price: \$250 FLEX;  
\$300 UniFLEX  
includes manual and diskette (manual assumes user is familiar with standard 68000 instruction set).

Available:  
Technical Systems  
Consultants, Inc.  
P.O. Box 2570  
West Lafayette, IN 47906

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**SPEED-DS** is a routine to modify the statement linkage in an Applesoft program to speed its execution. Improvements of 5-20% are common. As a bonus, SPEED-DS includes machine language routines to speed string handling and reduce the need for garbage clean-up. Author: Lee Meador.  
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**System:** Commodore VIC 20  
**Memory:** 5K  
**Language:** BASIC  
**Hardware:** VIC 20 and tape player  
**Description:** Practice Morse Code from 1-35 wpm rate sent by the VIC. Rate is controlled by your 60 Hz power line frequency. Enter your own practice message, or receive random letters, numbers, punctuation.  
**Price:** \$19.95 includes cassette and instructions

**Author:** Marion H. Taylor  
**Available:** Taylormade Software  
8053 E. Avon Lane  
Lincoln, NE 68505  
[402] 464-9051

**Name:** The Responsibility Life Dynamic  
**System:** Apple II  
**Memory:** 48K  
**Language:** Applesoft, Machine  
**Hardware:** Apple II, Disk II  
**Description:** This disk centers upon the following four games: *Speedway* (you'll have to be a great driver to make those hairpin curves); *Bean Reactions* (for two players who react to the impolite bean-reactions of each other with big clubs); *Ring the Bell* (carnival type game); and *Animal Bingo* (move 50 shape-table animals around on a Hi-Res playing board in totally unique ways to make "bingos" — five in a row).  
**Price:** \$15.95 includes disk, vocabulary card  
**Available:** Avant-Garde Creations  
P.O. Box 30161 MCC  
Eugene, OR 97403

**Name:** Graphics Composer  
**System:** Atari 400/800  
**Memory:** 32K RAM  
**Hardware:** Cassette Player or Disk Drive  
**Description:** With *Graphics Composer*, you use paddles or joystick to draw a picture outline on Hi-Res screen Mode 8 or 7. Then use color fill-in, color brushes and add text to complete your graphic designs. *Graphics Composer* allows easy creation of Player/Missile shapes which may be used in other programs. The *Geometries Figures* program lets the user define circles,

triangles, polygons, parallelograms, and even trigonometric curves. Loading routines are provided so that pictures can be used in other programs or traded with friends.

**Price:** \$39.95 includes cassette or diskette and 27-page instruction booklet

**Available:** Versa Computing, Inc.  
3541 Old Conejo Rd.  
Suite 104  
Newbury Park, CA 91320  
[805] 498-1956

**Name:** Dentistaid  
**System:** Apple II  
**Memory:** 48K  
**Language:** CBASIC 2 with CP/M  
**Hardware:** Apple II Microsoft Z-80 Softcard  
**Description:** *Dentistaid* is a revolutionary new concept in dental office management systems. It is designed to streamline all major time-consuming tasks in your office and give efficiency, accuracy, and complete control of your office.  
**Price:** \$1,000.00  
**Author:** Jerry Taylor  
**Available:** The Hayden Book Company, Incorporated  
50 Essex Street  
Rochelle Park, NJ 07662  
[800] 631-0856

**Name:** Tiny BASIC Compiler  
**System:** PET/CBM  
**Memory:** 4K  
**Language:** BASIC  
**Hardware:** PET with cassette or diskette  
**Description:** This is a floating point compiler supporting a subset of the PET BASIC language. The compiler reads your BASIC program and writes out a file containing the 6502 object code. All floating point arithmetic and functions are supported. If you have at least 16K, you can get a full assembly listing of the object code.  
**Price:** \$25.00 includes versions for all ROMs and sample program  
**Author:** Mark Zimmermann and Dave Malmberg  
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Memory: 65K bytes  
Hardware: 6" x 9.75" module

Description: Low cost, high density memory expansion module with 65,536 x 8 bits of EPROM/PROM/RAM with selectable address and enable/disable switches. Accepts 2758, 2408, 2716, 2516, 2732, 2532 EPROMs of 1, 2, 4K bytes each. Sixteen sockets may be individually enabled/disabled from top of module. Requires only +5V DC power. Low profile or zero force sockets optional.

Price: \$230.00, single piece quantity

Available:  
General Micro Systems  
1320 Chalfey Ct.  
Ontario, CA 91762  
(714) 621-7532

Name: **GP300 Dot Matrix Printer**

Memory: 380-Char FIFO, optional 32K RAM for character generation

Description: 120-character (10 characters/inch) dot matrix printer. Capable of producing 9 x 9 data text at 300 characters/second and word processing printing at 80 x 120 characters/second (depending on font), 18 wire (9 x 9 interlaced) print head. RS-232C/Centronics interface. Options: tractor feed, front feed, ream paper handler and pedestal.

Price: \$3165.00 one piece  
\$2685.00 100 pieces  
includes 2 character generators, interlace, power supply, friction feed.

Available:  
Amprex Electronics Corp.  
230 Duffy Ave.  
Hicksville, NY 11802  
(516) 931-6200

Name: **Display Board**

System: Apple  
Description: Displays address bus, data bus (latched) and hold line. All lines are buffered. All LEDs are low current, high efficiency type. A RUN STOP STEP switch is provided so you can single step

through a program one instruction at a time.

Price: \$62.00 (Texas residents add 5% sales tax)

Available:  
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P.O. Box 470301  
Dallas, TX 75247  
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System: TRS-80 1/2/3,  
Apple, Atari, PET  
Memory: 16K

Hardware: Digitizing Pad  
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Available:  
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Name: **EZASM**

System: PET/CBM  
Language: Assembler  
Hardware: New ROMs,

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Price: \$80.00 includes shipping and instructions

Author: Milton B. Bathurst

Available:  
DataCap  
73, Rue du Village  
4545 Fencur  
Belgium

Name: **CD2-3 Floppy Drive Tester**

System: OSI  
Hardware: 5 1/4" and 8" single- or dual-sided disk

Description: CD2-3 uses existing drive cable for quick connection to isolate problems, exercise and repair floppy drives. Provides static and dynamic tests. Simplifies head load and stepper tests and adjustments. Monitors index, ready, write protect, clock and data circuits. Provides read, write and crase verification.

Price: \$275.00 includes step-by-step familiarization and operating instructions

Available:  
TEACO/Computer Center  
P.O. Box E  
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Name: **CBM 2031 (Single floppy disk)**

System: PET/CBM  
Memory: 1K RAM

Description: Low cost, single disk drive stores up to 170K bytes on a single 5 1/4" floppy diskette, and incorporates an IEEE-488 interface for use with Commodore's PET and CBM computer equipment. The 2031 is based on the same technology used in Commodore's 4040 dual disk drive unit, using the latest disk operating system (DOS). The 2031 diskettes are read/write-compatible with the CBM 4040 disk unit. Owners of the disk drive can expand their systems by adding additional 2031's (or Commodore disk drives) and running them in tandem.

Price: \$595.00 includes disk operating system

Available:  
Commodore Business Machines, Inc.  
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Name: **Model 60 Universal RS-232 to RS-449 Converter**

System: All interfaces  
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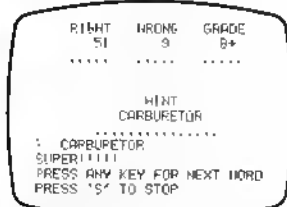
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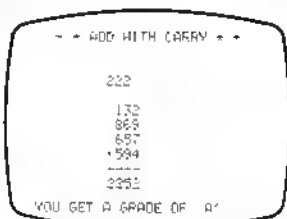
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## Installation

Please refer to figure 1. Remove the two cover screws located on the sides near the front, swing the top section up and prop it open with the wire brace. Proceed with the following steps:

1. Strip ½ inch of insulation from the ends of all wires.
2. Attach the red hookup wire to the red wire of the piezo buzzer.
3. *8050 disk drives:* Observe that the diode is a black cylinder with a white band encircling one end. Attach the banded end to the black hookup wire. The other end of the diode connects to one side of the 470 ohm resistor. Attach the remaining lead from the resistor to the black wire of the piezo buzzer.

*2040 and 4040 disk drives:* Attach one side of the 470 ohm resistor to the black hookup wire; attach the other side of the resistor to the black wire of the piezo buzzer.

4. Locate the power plug for the error LED. Pull the plug out and separate the wires slightly. Remove ¼ inch of insulation from each wire but do not cut the wires. Replace the plug.
5. If your plug wires are orange and white, connect the red alarm wire to the orange plug wire and connect the black alarm wire to the white plug wire. Now, create an error condition (an easy one is to initialize an empty drive). When the error light comes on, the piezo buzzer will emit a mild but penetrating tone.
6. If your plug wires are not orange and white, then do not connect the alarm wires. Create an error condition. Once the LED is glowing red, try touching the alarm wires to the exposed plug wires. You have two

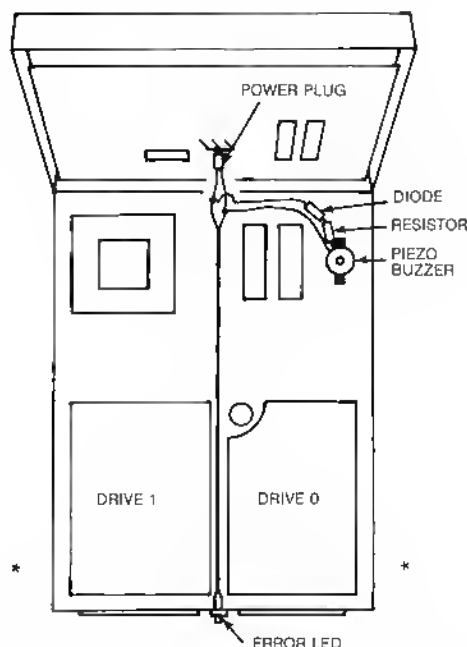
choices: one combination will activate the buzzer, and the other will not. *8050 owners:* If neither combination works, you have wired the diode backwards. Return to step 3.

When you have found the proper combination, clear the error and proceed to connect the alarm wires.

7. Cover all electrical connections with tape. Be sure to cover the bare wires on the diode and resistor as well. To mount the buzzer, select any open spot and secure it with two strips of tape. You may reduce the loudness by partially covering the buzzer with tape.

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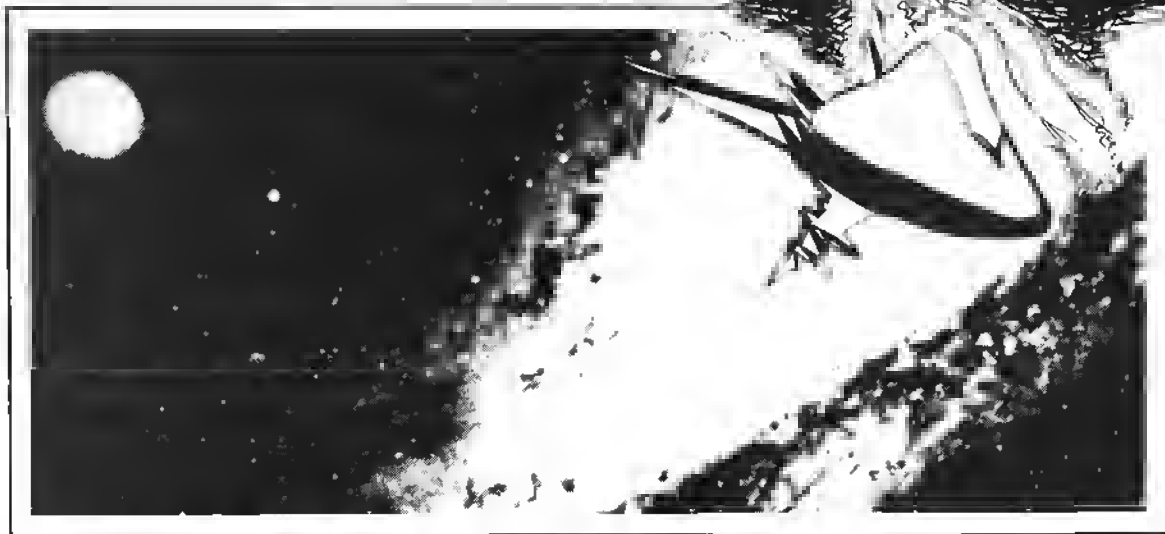
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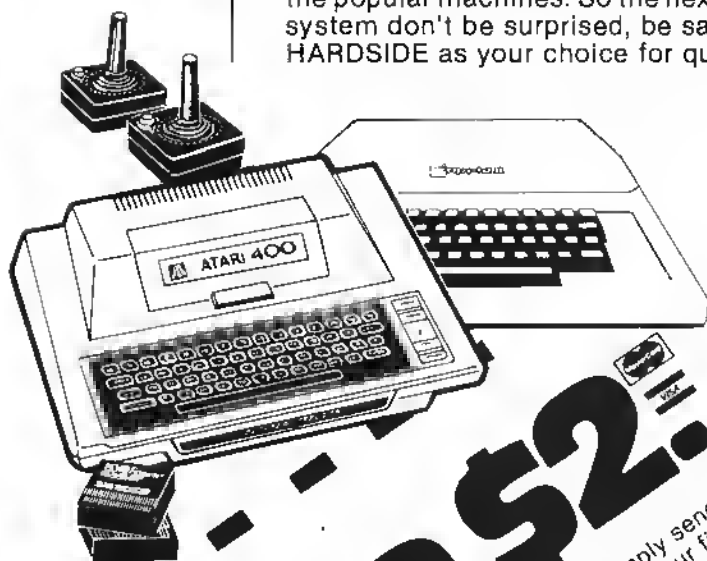
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# I/O Expansion for AIM

**The AIM 65 computer is well-suited to low-demand process control applications, due to its user-dedicated 6522 VIA. This article describes a method of adding two more VIAs to the AIM to triple the capacity of its input/output control hardware.**

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Many users of 6502-based microcomputers who have an interest in control-type applications have discovered the wealth of hardware utilities that is provided in the 6522 versatile interface adaptor (VIA). This well-named device provides an impressive array of input/output (I/O) facilities inside one \$10 package, including two 8-bit parallel ports, two 16-bit counter/timers, and an 8-bit shift register. The ports have bit-wise selectable data direction, optional input latching and four associated control (handshake) lines. The two timers can easily perform pulse counting, frequency generation and interval timing functions, and the shift register can be used to perform both serial-to-parallel and parallel-to-serial data conversions.

In the Rockwell AIM 65 computer, a 6522 chip is used to control the 20-column printer, the two cassette interfaces, and the teletype port. One of the timers in this chip is used to provide the five millisecond delay that is used to debounce the keyboard switches. The AIM 65 board holds a second 6522 VIA, and this one is available for user applications, with all 16 port bits and their four associated control lines

brought out to the 44 contact 'applications' connector at the left rear of the computer board. It was the provision of this user VIA that made the AIM 65 computer attractive to my colleagues and me at the psychology department of the University of Alberta.

Many of the experiments in psychological research that are conducted here represent low demand control tasks to which the AIM 65 and its user VIA are admirably suited. In a typical stimulus-response experiment, a control computer is used to present an auditory or visual stimulus to the subject. The computer then waits for him to choose from a number of possible responses, and records as data the identity of the response selected and the time taken by the subject to make his choice.

These tasks are easily accomplished with the facilities of the user VIA and some simple peripheral hardware. A few port bits are configured as inputs and connected to debounced response switches, a few others act as outputs — controlling lamps or tone generators through Darlington transistor drivers, and the programmable timers look after the measurement of the reaction times. Thus, with a minimum of external hardware, the AIM 65 can provide an excellent control facility at very modest cost to the user.

In the early days of this work (early 1980) the available capacity of 16 port bits seemed easily adequate for the demands of the type of experiment then conducted, and for any reasonable demand then foreseen for the future.

How times change! In the intervening months, we have found that port space acts like spending money — given an adequate supply, one soon develops a need for much more. As our experimenters became familiar with the computer, their confidence in the technique grew, and their ambitions were right behind. Soon the AIM 65

was running very demanding experiments involving simultaneous inputs from several subjects, the operation of stepping motors (which consume four port bits each), or combinations of similar tasks. The wealth of port space that had once seemed so generous was soon all spent, and the next experiment in line needed "just a few more bits" for the control of the apparatus and collection of the data.

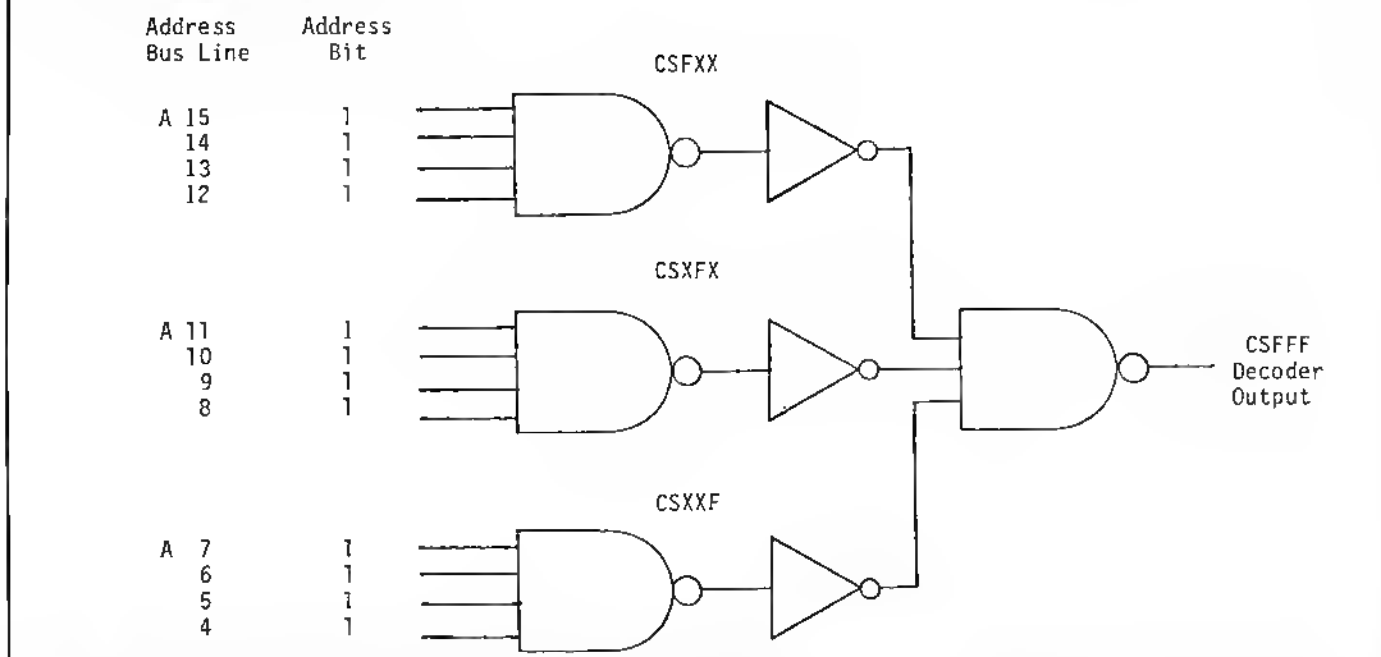
As these situations arose we met them at first with craft using tricks to make more efficient use of the available port space. By encoding 16 inputs into four bits, or multiplexing one set of four bits to run several motors at once, we made our 16 bits do the work of 24 or more. However, these stop-gap strategies were not very satisfactory. The hardware involved became complicated, and the programs became laden with extra routines containing the tricks that shared the port space among the various tasks to be done. Before too long it was clear that, although the AIM computer had plenty of computing power for our needs, the single user VIA was a bottleneck in the flow of control.

This article describes our solution to the problem: a simple add-on circuit for the AIM 65 that contains two additional 6522 VIAs. Using this design, any AIM 65 user who can do wire-wrap assembly can, in a few hours (at a cost of about \$40), triple the I/O capacity of his computer to a total of six bidirectional ports, twelve control lines, three shift registers and six programmable timers.

## Design of the I/O Expansion Board

To the 6502 microprocessor, a 6522 VIA looks like an array of 16 memory locations. Like any other memory chip, it must have connections to the system data bus and the control bus signals necessary for reading bytes of data from the data bus, or writing bytes to it.

**Figure 1: A Decoder for Address \$FFF**



These control signals are: the system clock ( $\phi 2$ ), the read/write line (SYS R/W), and the reset line ( $\overline{\text{RES}}$ ). An additional connection is needed in order for the 6522 to be able to interrupt the microprocessor during interrupt-driven I/O functions. If this facility is desired, then each 6522 in the system must be connected to the interrupt request line ( $\overline{\text{IRQ}}$ ).

In addition to the data bus and the above control signals, a 6522 VIA must have connections to the system address bus, so that its 16 internal registers can be accessed one-at-a-time for the exchange of control and data bytes with the microprocessor. With only 16 internal locations, the 6522 needs only to decode the lowest four bits of address information. Like any other memory chip, it relies on an external address decoder circuit to tell it which section of the address space it is to respond to. In this case, the section is only 16 addresses long. The design of such an address decoder is a central part of this project.

In general, the address decoder must contain the logic necessary to produce a chip select signal for each VIA when one unique combination of bits is present on the highest 12 lines of the address bus. In commercial products, the address decoder logic is usually very general so that the purchaser can adjust the decoder, by means of DIP switches or wire jumpers, to fit the address requirements of the product into an area of the memory map of his system that is not already occupied. This degree of

generality is nice in principle, but it complicates the design of the decoder a little, increases the parts count, the cost of the project, and also adds to the construction time. In the design shown below, the decoder logic has been kept simple through the use of a fixed address assignment, chosen by the user before construction to suit the requirements of his system.

### Address Decoder Theory of Operation

As an example of the operation of an address decoder, consider one built to produce a chip select signal for the unique 12-bit address \$FFF (1111 1111 1111 binary). If the four address lines represented by each hexadecimal digit of the address are connected to the inputs of a four-input NAND gate (see figure 1), the gates will each produce logic LOW outputs only when all four of their inputs are in the logic HIGH state. If we form a second logical NAND function of the inverted outputs of these gates, the resulting output is a chip select signal that is LOW only when all 12 inputs are HIGH, corresponding to an input address of \$FFF. Any other address will cause at least one of the four-input gates to have a HIGH output, and no chip select (LOW decoder output) will be produced.

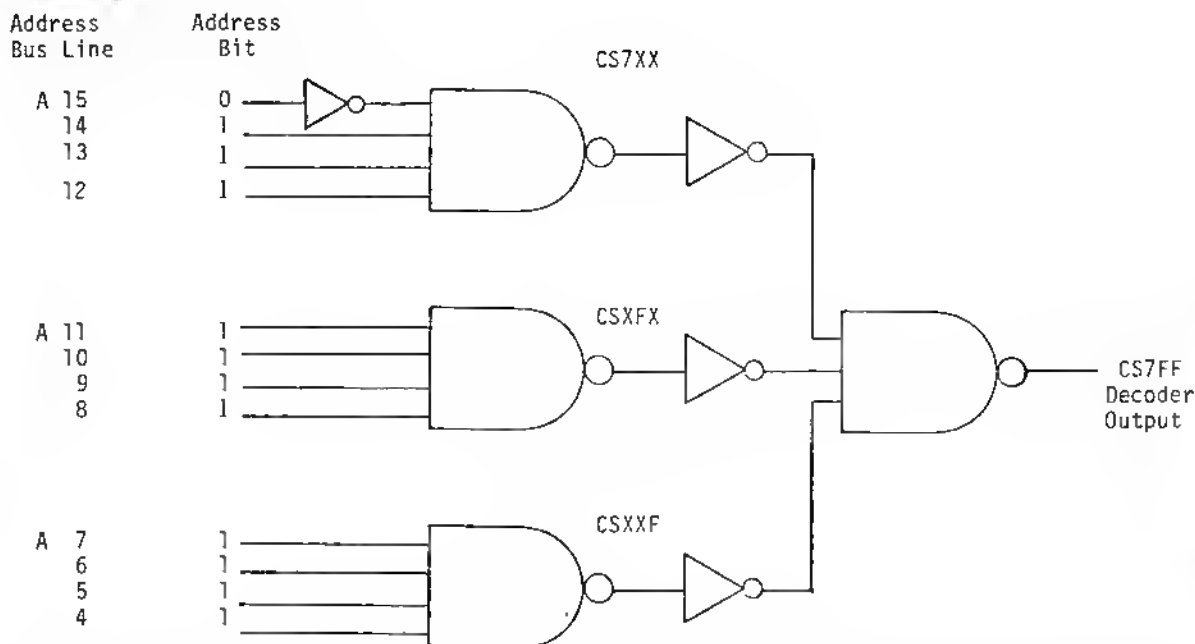
This example decoder is of no use whatever in the AIM 65, since no addresses starting with \$FFF are available to the user in that system. However, the decoder of figure 1 is easily changed into others that decode addresses that

are available to AIM 65 users. If, in figure 1, the bit on the highest address line (A15) was changed from a one to a zero, the address would be \$7FF (0111 1111 1111 binary). The decoder of figure 1 doesn't give an output for this address. However, by the introduction of a single inverter between the address line A15 and its NAND gate input, we can alter the decoder so that it does respond to this new address. As drawn in figure 2, the decoder gives an output only for the new address \$7FF. From this example it is easy to generalize to the design of a decoder for any desired address in the range from \$000 to \$FFF. Simply write the address down in column form beside a diagram like figure 1, and wherever it contains a logic zero, put an inverter between that address line and the NAND gate input.

### An Address Decoder for the I/O Expansion Board

An I/O expansion board containing two VIAs requires two address decoders of the type described above: one to produce a chip select signal for each VIA. However, by choosing the addresses of the VIAs appropriately, we can produce two signals with little more hardware than was needed for the first one. Since each VIA has 16 internal registers, two VIAs must have their base, or lowest addresses separated by at least 16 addresses to avoid overlap. This means that their hex addresses must differ by at least one number in the third hex digit. The component count of the decoder is minimized if both VIAs have common first and second hex address

Figure 2: A Decoder for Address \$7FF



digits. In figure 3, the top four-input NAND gate decodes address hits A15 - A12, or the first hex digit, and gives an output when that digit is a '9.' Similarly, the second four-input gate decodes hits A11 - A8 (the second hex digit) and gives an output when that digit is an 'F.' By choosing both VIA addresses to be of the form \$9FX (where X is any hex digit), we can use the above two signals in the generation of chip selects for both of them with no added hardware.

In most AIM 65 systems, there is a large range of address space that is available for use by the I/O expansion board. In a computer with 4K of on-board memory, the entire range from \$1000 to \$9FFF is available. In a machine having a 16K memory expansion board, this range is reduced to \$5000 to \$9FFF, but there is still plenty of room for the 32 addresses occupied by the I/O board. For this reason, it is usually possible to choose the I/O

board addresses to be values convenient to the design of the decoder. In order to save wiring time, it is most convenient to choose the third hex digits of the addresses to use the fewest inverters in the decoder circuit. Since an 'F' uses no inverters, it is one logical choice. The other digit could be an 'E,' 'D,' 'B,' or a '7' using only one inverter. In the circuit shown in figure 3, this digit has been chosen to be an 'E,' because this way the two VIAs occupy 32 adjacent

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addresses, minimizing the address space between them which would otherwise probably be wasted.

Thus, in figure 3 we have the top four-input gate giving an output (logic zero) for 12-bit addresses of the form \$9XX, and the second four-input gate giving an output for addresses of the form \$XFX. The third four-input gate produces an output for addresses \$XXF, and the bottom four-input gate for addresses \$XXE. These signals all require inversion before they can be combined by the three-input gates on the right side of the diagram, so each is first passed through an inverter as shown in the middle. These inverters and the top three-input gate perform a logical AND function on the signals CS9XX (chip select from addresses of the form \$9XX), CSXFX, and CSXXF to produce a chip select signal whenever the current address is of the form \$9FF. The inverters and the bottom three-input gate do the same for the signals CS9XX, CSXFX and CSXXE to give a chip select signal for all addresses of the form \$9FE.

When these two chip select signals are connected to the two VIAs on the I/O expansion board, those VIAs will respond in exactly the same way as the built-in user VIA, but with base addresses \$9FE0 and \$9FF0. For example, in the VIA chip the interrupt flag register has the location (base address + D) hexadecimal. The user VIA has a base address of \$A000, so the user interrupt flag register is at the address

\$A00D. This same register is at the address \$9FED in one of the added VIAs and \$9FFD in the other.

The above base addresses were not chosen entirely to simplify the wiring of the address decoder. In the AIM 65 the system I/O addresses start at \$A000, and in machines with both the ROM-based assembler and BASIC language installed, the system memory map is full all the way up to the top of the address space at \$FFFF. The system address usage is put at the top of the address space to keep it out of the way of user memory which starts near the bottom (at \$0200). In order to leave the maximum amount of uncluttered address space for user memory expansion, it is good policy to follow the example of the AIM's designers and put the expansion I/O board address usage as high in the available address space as possible. The address decoder in figure 3 puts the two added VIAs in the last 32 addresses below the system's reserved area.

In systems that have this area already dedicated to some device, the decoder of figure 3 can easily be changed to put the added VIAs somewhere else. Two hex-inverter packages (74LS04) were used for the design shown in figure 3. Of these 12 inverters only the four in the middle of the diagram (between the sets of four-input and three-input NAND gates) are in required positions. The remaining eight inverters (of which only three are used by the circuit

in figure 3) are available for the selection of the address lines that are to contain logic zeros in the desired addresses.

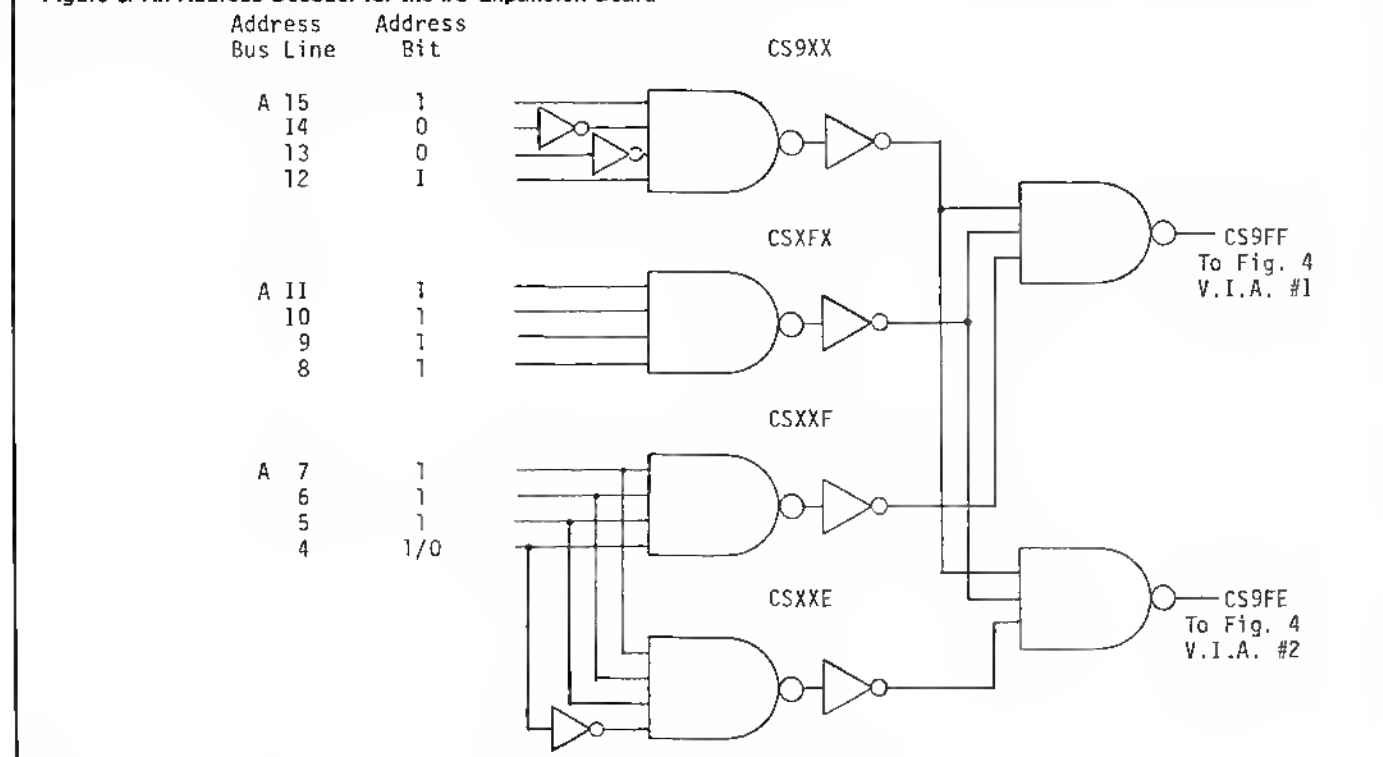
Figure 4 shows the circuit for the connection of the system data, address and control bus signals to the two VIAs. One of the chip select signals from the address decoder is connected to pin 23 of each one. The port bits and control lines on the right side of each package are connected to the peripheral devices as described in the assembly section below.

Once the address allocations of the I/O expansion board have been chosen, and an address decoder of the above form has been designed, the conceptual part of the project is finished. All that remains to be done is the actual wiring and the connection of the finished I/O expansion board to the computer.

### Assembly of the I/O Board

A small single-unit project of this sort is most easily and quickly built by the wire-wrap technique, and this connection scheme is particularly well-suited to this project with its hard-wired address assignment. If some future expansion of the computer should require the changing of the I/O board addresses, this can easily be done by the re-wrapping of a small number of the wires which determine the address bus lines that are inverted before connection to the NAND gate inputs. This

Figure 3: An Address Decoder for the I/O Expansion Board



sort of change would be inconvenient if a circuit board had been etched to suit the initial choice of addresses.

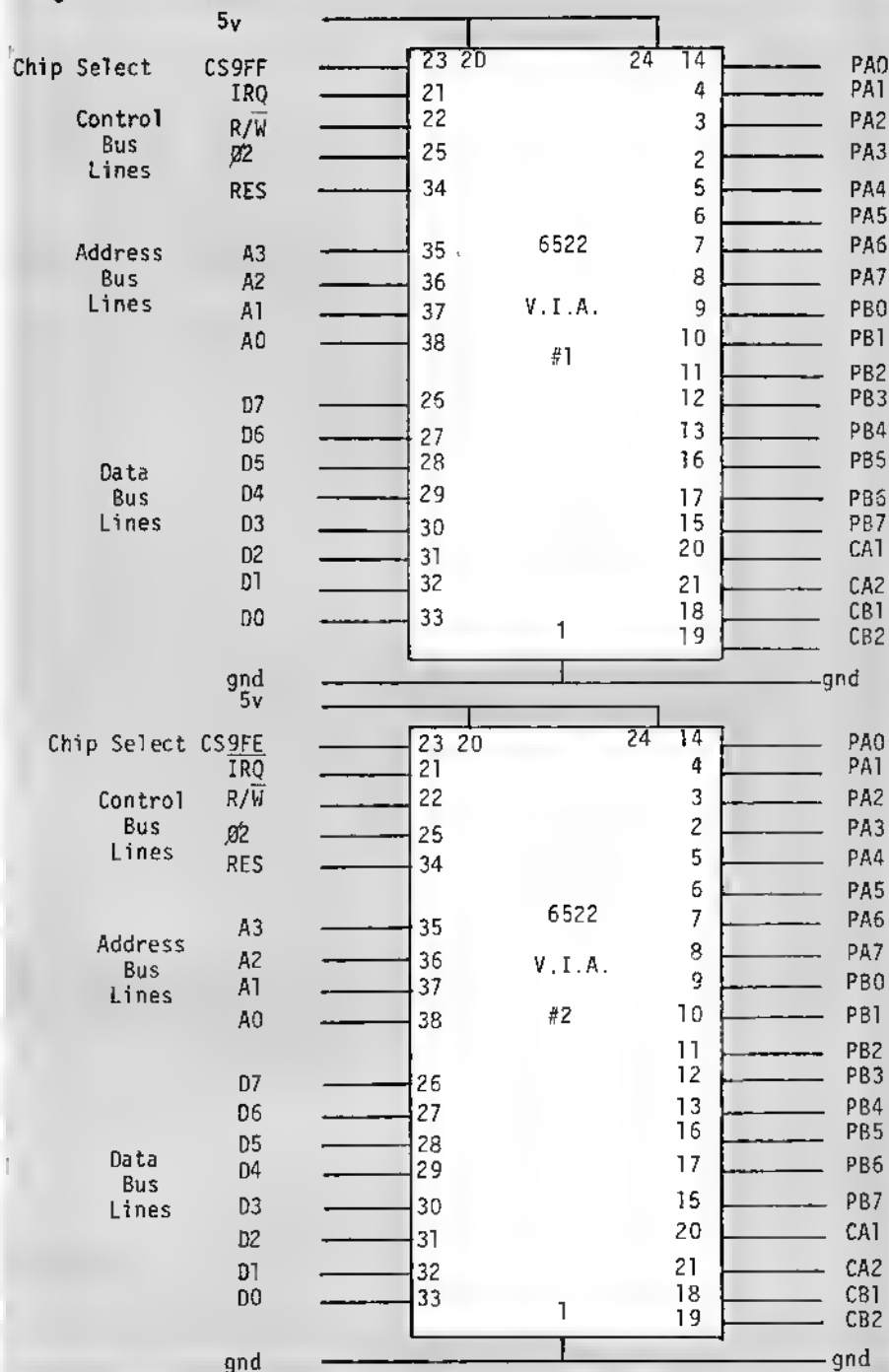
In the psychology department shop, we build these I/O expansion boards on a perforated prototyping board. Radio Shack stores sell one of these (part number 276-152) that has a 44-contact edge connector identical to the AIM 65's 'expansion' connector. By wiring the address, data, and control bus signals to the appropriate contacts when the I/O expansion board is being built (following the assignments on the AIM 65 connector), the board can be made to connect directly to the AIM 65 expansion connector with a simple parallel-bus connector made from two 44-contact edge connectors (like the EDAC 307-044-500-202) and a short length of ribbon cable. This cable should be kept shorter than six inches, or some degradation of the unbuffered bus signals may occur.

Many of the AIM 65 systems in use here are built around a five-slot card cage made for the KIM/SYM/AIM bus by Microtechnology Unlimited. The bus connector of this card cage is designed for the memory expansion, video display and disk controller boards made for these computers by this company. The I/O expansion board fits handily into one of the slots in these systems, saving the rather tedious fabrication of a cable-type connector.

A second connector is required to carry the port bits and control lines to the devices that interface with the VIAs on the I/O expansion board. For this purpose we use a 50-contact wire-wrap-style ribbon cable connector, such as the ALPHA FCC-152-50. The 32-port bits and eight control lines from the two VIAs are wrapped to contacts on this connector, which mounts into a row of holes near the free edge of the prototype board. The loads or data inputs are connected to a ribbon cable terminated with a mating connector (ALPHA FCC-120-50) which can be plugged into the one on the I/O expansion board.

Several of our AIM 65 systems use an I/O card cage of local design which has this ribbon cable crossing the back of the chassis as a port-bit bus. Cards plugged into this chassis mate with card-edge connectors (ALPHA FCC-171-50) that are pressed onto the ribbon cable. Some of these cards carry load drivers like power Darlington transistors or optically-coupled triacs for the control of external devices. Other

Figure 4: VIA Connections



cards contain switch debouncing circuits for the input of switch-closure response data, or custom devices that require connection to I/O port space or control lines. With the advantages of expanded I/O capacity and modularly interchangeable I/O hardware, our AIM 65 computers have become powerful and flexible experiment controllers.

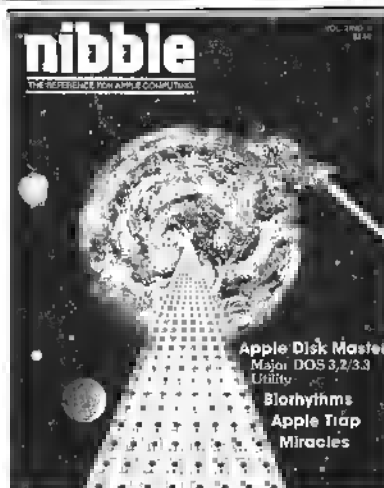
## Conclusions

The I/O expansion project described in this article was undertaken as a simple, quick and inexpensive solution to

the demand for increased I/O capacity. Some care must be taken by ambitious readers who desire a much more substantial addition to the I/O capabilities of their computers. The device described above should not be significantly expanded without some redesigning of the circuits.

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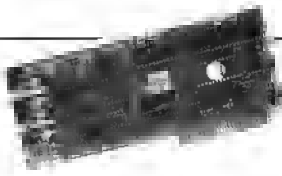
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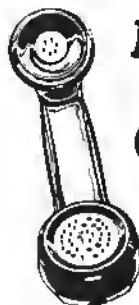
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# Boolean Algebra

Boolean Algebra is the science of True and False. If statement A is True and statement B is False, then the statement "A AND B" must be False, because one of the component statements is False. However, the statement "A OR B" would be True, since only one of the components needs to be True. In high level programming, a typical Boolean statement would be, "IF Q P and P=R-5 THEN...." Both of the component statements have to be True for the statements immediately after the THEN to be executed. If the AND is replaced with OR, then only one of the statements needs to be True.

Assembly language programming relies a great deal on Boolean Algebra, too. Each bit position in a binary number may contain only a 1 (= True) or a 0 (= False). When a Boolean operator acts on a pair of numbers, the values for bit 0 in each are compared to determine the value for bit 0 in the result, and so on for all the bits in the two numbers. The 6809 has a COMplement instruction, which is equivalent to the Boolean NOT, and both the 6502 and 6809 have AND, OR, and EOR instructions.

These functions also apply to digital circuitry. Circuit elements called "gates" compare two or more signals to arrive at a single resulting signal. Usually +5 VDC is considered "True" and 0 VDC is considered "False." So, if an OR gate receives 0 V on one input and +5 V on the other, the output is +5 V. An AND gate with the same inputs would produce a 0 V output.



Description: If both statements are True (bit = 1), then the result is True. Otherwise, the result is False.

ML Application: ANDing a non-standard character code (such as tor reverse field on the PET or Apple) with 0111 1111 will usually return the ASCII value.

Syntax: A AND B, A · B, AB  
A × B  
A ∧ B A ∩ B

A	B	A OR B
True	True	True
True	False	False
False	True	False
False	False	False

A	B	A AND B
1	1	1
1	0	0
0	1	0
0	0	0

Example:      1011 0110  
AND      0111 0000  
            0011 0000



Description: Returns a True value if either statement or both statements are True (bit = 1).

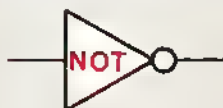
ML Application: Use to make sure a particular bit is set. ORing a character code with 1000 0000 will return the same code, except with bit 7 always set.

Syntax: A OR B  
A + B  
A ∨ B, A ∪ B

A	B	A AND B
True	True	True
True	False	True
False	True	True
False	False	False

A	B	A OR B
1	1	1
1	0	1
0	1	1
0	0	0

Example:      1011 0110  
OR      0111 0000  
            1111 0110



Description: If a statement is True (bit = 1), NOT will return False (bit = 0), and vice versa.

ML Application: This can be accomplished with the 6502 using an XOR with 1111 1111 (\$FF).

Syntax: NOT A  
 $\overline{A}$   
A'  
^A, !A

A	NOT A
True	False
False	True

A	NOT A
1	0
0	1

Example:  
A = 1011 0110  
NOT A = 0100 1001



Description: Exclusive Or returns True if either statement is True, but not if both are True.

ML Application: A number XORed with 0100 0000 will result in the same number with bit 6 toggled; i.e., = 1 if it was originally 0, and = 0 if it was 1.

Syntax: A XOR B, A EOR B  
A  $\oplus$  B

Example:  
XOR    1011 0110  
         0111 0000  
         1100 0110

A	B	A XOR B
True	True	False
True	False	True
False	True	True
False	False	False

A	B	A XOR B
1	1	0
1	0	1
0	1	1
0	0	0



Description: The result is True only if both statements are False (bit = 0).

Application: This function is applied more in electronics than in programming.

Syntax: A NOR B     $\overline{A + B}$      $A \downarrow B$

Equivalent: NOT(A OR B)

A	B	A NOR B
True	True	False
True	False	False
False	True	False
False	False	True

A	B	A NOR B
1	1	0
1	0	0
0	1	0
0	0	1

Example:  
NOR    1011 0110  
         0111 0000  
         0000 1001



Description: If either statement is False (bit = 0), then the result is True.

Application: This is used more in electronics than in programming. In fact most early logic used only NAND gates and inverters (NOT).

Syntax: A NAND B     $\overline{AB}$      $A \uparrow B$

Equivalent: NOT(A AND B)  
NOT A OR NOT B

A	B	A NAND B
True	True	False
True	False	True
False	True	True
False	False	True

A	B	A NAND B
1	1	0
1	0	1
0	1	1
0	0	1

Example:  
NAND    1011 0110  
         0111 0000  
         1100 1111

Summary Table

A	B	AND	OR	XOR	NAND	NOR
1	1	1	1	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	1	1	0
0	1	0	1	1	1	0
0	0	0	0	0	1	1

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Each column represents the truth table for one of the simple Boolean operators (AND, OR, XOR, NAND, NOR). Fill in the missing 1's and 0's and name the functions. See technical data sheet (page 122) for answers.

		Function					
A	B						
1	1	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	1	
1	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
0	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	1	
0	0	0	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Andrew Mossberg of North Miami Beach, Florida, sent in this list of secret machine instructions:

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BCF	Branch on Chip box Full
BF	Blow Fuses
BOHP	Bribe Operator for Higher Priority
BSST	BackSpace and Stretch Tape
CUN	Cancel all User Numbers
EMW	Emulate Maytag Washer
ERD	Eject Removable Disk
EXOI	EXecute Operator Immediately
IA	Illogical And
KCE	Kill Consultant on Error
MST	Mount Scotch Tape
MVLR	MoVe and Lose Record
PDM	Play Drum Memory
PLSC	Perform Light Show on Console
PS	Print and Smear
RBP	Read Print and Blush
RCASD	Read Card And Scramble Data
RFSC	Read Feed and Shred Card
RIG	Read Inter-record Gap
RSD	Read and Shuffle Deck
RWRT	Read While Ripping Tape
SD	Scatter Deck
SPD	SPin dry Disk
SSD	Seek and Scar Disk
UER	Update and Erase Record

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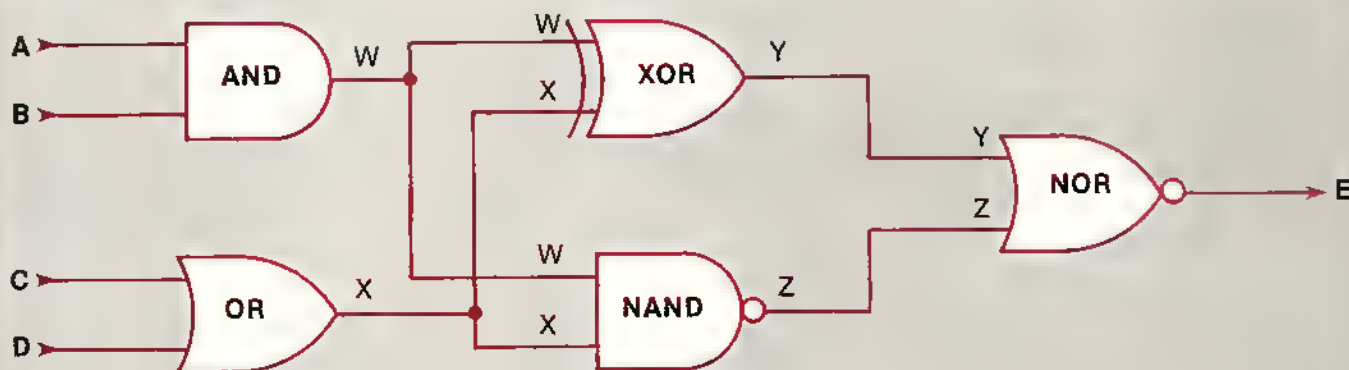
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Though he does beg and plead.*

### Border

**Rules and Hints:** Combine the eight bits preceding each alphabetic separator with the eight bits following the separator to form a single 8-bit logical result which represents one ASCII character. The alphabetic separators stand for the following logical operations: a=AND, o=OR, x=Exclusive OR, na=NAND, and no=NOR. For example: 11010110a01011100 would AND the two values and get as a result 01010100, which is the ASCII code for the letter T. To make life easy, this month's message starts in the upper left corner. The / does not count for anything. It simply separates the individual values.

For answers to Border and Circuit puzzles, see page 103.

### Circuit Puzzle



What is the result if inputs A, B, C, and D are all 1's? All 0's?

How many of the 16 possible input combinations result in an output [E] of 0?

[Hint: Set up a table with the inputs, intermediate results, and final result in separate columns.]

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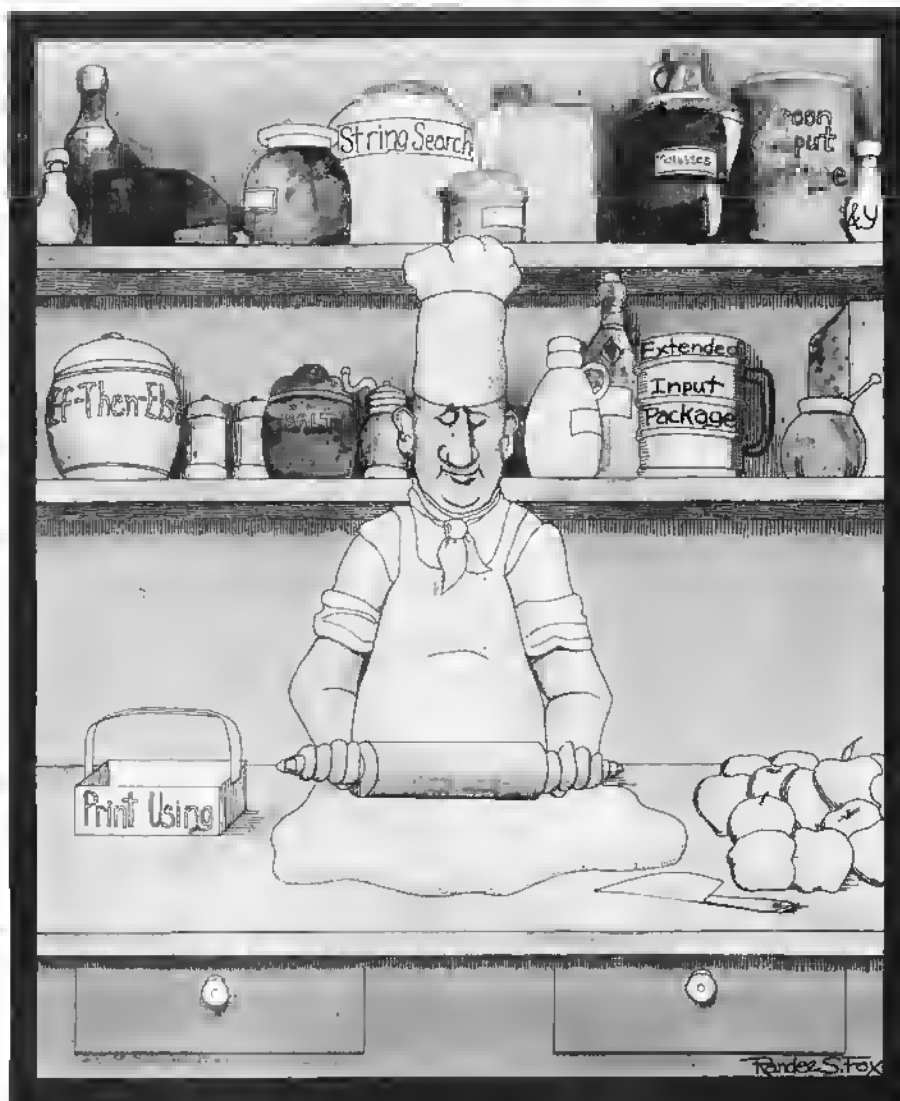
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